

DUKE UNIV. LIBRARY  
DURHAM, N. C.

MAY 26 1938

# UNIFORM CRIME REPORTS

FOR THE UNITED STATES  
AND ITS POSSESSIONS

*Ret'd to Doc. R.*

Volume IX—Number 1

FIRST QUARTERLY BULLETIN, 1938

*Issued by the*  
*Federal Bureau of Investigation*  
*United States Department of Justice*  
*Washington, D. C.*



UNITED STATES  
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE  
WASHINGTON : 1938



51.14/7.

9

## UNIFORM CRIME REPORTS

J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

---

Volume 9

April 1938

Number 1

---

### CONTENTS

Classification of offenses.

Extent of reporting area.

Monthly returns:

Offenses known to the police—cities divided according to population (table 1).

Annual trends, offenses known to the police, 1931-38 (table 2).

Data for individual cities over 100,000 in population (table 3).

Offenses known in territories and possessions (table 4).

Data from supplementary offense reports (tables 5-7).

Annual returns:

Offenses known and offenses cleared by arrest, 1937—cities divided according to population (tables 8, 9).

Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937—cities divided according to population (tables 10-12).

Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and persons found guilty (tables 13, 14).

Persons released (not held for prosecution), 1937—cities divided according to population (tables 15, 16).

Percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1934-37 (table 17).

Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest and persons charged, by geographic divisions (tables 18-37).

Data compiled from fingerprint cards, 1937:

Number of persons arrested outside of their native State (table 38).

Definitions of part I and part II offense classifications.

#### *Classification of Offenses.*

The term "offenses known to the police" is designed to include those crimes designated as part I classes of the uniform classification occurring within the police jurisdiction, whether they become known to the police through reports of police officers, of citizens, of prosecuting or court officials, or otherwise. They are confined to the following group of seven classes of grave offenses, shown by experience to be those most generally and completely reported to the police: Criminal homicide, including (a) murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and (b) manslaughter by negligence; rape; robbery; aggravated assault; burglary—breaking or entering; larceny—theft; and auto theft. The figures contained herein include also the number of attempted crimes of the designated classes. Attempted murders, however, are reported as aggravated assaults. In other words, an attempted burglary or robbery, for example, is reported in the bulletin in the same manner as if the crime had been completed.

"Offenses known to the police" include, therefore, all of the above offenses, including attempts, which are reported by the police departments of contributing cities and not merely arrests or cleared cases. Complaints which upon investigation are learned to be groundless are not included in the tabulations which follow.

(1)

395301

In the last section of this bulletin may be found brief definitions of part I and part II offense classifications.

**Extent of Reporting Area.**

In the table which follows there is shown the number of police departments from which one or more crime reports were received during the first 3 months of 1938. Information is presented for the cities divided according to size. The population figures employed are estimates as of July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census for cities with population in excess of 10,000. No estimates were available, however, for those with a smaller number of inhabitants, and, accordingly, for them the figures listed in the 1930 decennial census were used.

Population group	Total number of cities or towns	Cities filing returns		Total population	Population repre- sented in returns	
		Number	Percent		Number	Percent
Total.....	963	880	89.5	60,281,688	58,074,866	96.3
1. Cities over 250,000.....	37	37	100.0	29,695,500	29,695,500	100.0
2. Cities 100,000 to 250,000.....	57	57	100.0	7,850,312	7,850,312	100.0
3. Cities 50,000 to 100,000.....	104	98	94.2	6,980,407	6,576,274	94.2
4. Cities 25,000 to 50,000.....	191	172	90.1	6,638,544	5,981,556	90.1
5. Cities 10,000 to 25,000.....	594	516	86.9	9,116,925	7,971,224	87.4

NOTE.—The above table does not include 1,462 cities and rural townships aggregating a total population of 7,422,160. The cities included in this figure are those of less than 10,000 population filing returns, whereas the rural townships are of varying population groups.

The growth in the crime reporting area is evidenced by the following figures for the first 3 months of 1932-38:

Year	Number of cities	Population	Year	Number of cities	Population
1932.....	1,476	49,368,231	1936.....	2,111	63,766,619
1933.....	1,561	53,295,629	1937.....	2,166	64,196,843
1934.....	1,593	61,715,079	1938.....	2,342	65,497,026
1935.....	1,833	62,304,616			

The foregoing comparison shows that during the first 3 months of 1938 there was an increase of 176 cities as compared with the corresponding period of 1937, the population represented by those cities being 1,300,183.

In addition to the 2,342 city and village police departments which submitted crime reports during the first 3 months of 1938, one or more reports were received during that period from 1,210 sheriffs and State police units and from 8 agencies in territories and possessions of the United States. This makes a grand total of 3,560 agencies contributing crime reports during 1938.

## MONTHLY RETURNS

### *Offenses Known to the Police—Cities Divided According to Population.*

There is presented in table 1 the number of offenses reported as committed during the first 3 months of 1938 by the police departments of 1,885 cities with an aggregate population of 61,392,571. The data are also presented in the form of crime rates for cities divided according to size in order that interested persons may readily compare the crime rates of their communities with the average figures for cities of approximately the same size.

It is observed that, in line with similar compilations published in prior years, there is a tendency for larger cities to report higher crime rates than the smaller communities.

More than one-half (53.9 percent) of the crimes committed were larcenies and nearly one-fourth (24.5 percent) constituted offenses of burglary. The amount of each type of crime is indicated in the following percentage distribution:

Offense	Rate per 100,000	Percent	Offense	Rate per 100,000	Percent
Total.....	378.2	100.0	Robbery.....	17.9	.47
Larceny.....	203.8	53.9	Aggravated assault.....	10.2	2.7
Burglary.....	92.8	24.5	Rape.....	2.0	.5
Auto theft.....	49.0	13.0	Murder.....	1.3	.4
			Manslaughter.....	1.2	.3

More detailed information concerning the nature of the criminal act, time and place of commission, and value of property stolen may be found in tables 5-7.

Most of the police departments forwarding crime reports to the FBI divided offenses of larceny into two groups, those in which the value of the property stolen was \$50 or more, and those in which the value was less than \$50. There is presented below a separate compilation of that information as reported by 86 police departments of cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants:

Population group	Larceny—theft		Population group	Larceny—theft	
	\$50 and over in value	Under \$50 in value		\$50 and over in value	Under \$50 in value
31 cities over 250,000; total population, 19,643,700:			55 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 7,586,612:		
Number of offenses known.....	5,730	37,304	Number of offenses known.....	1,687	16,207
Rate per 100,000.....	29.2	189.9	Rate per 100,000.....	22.2	213.6

There were 60,928 larcenies classified according to the value of the property involved, and the preceding figures reveal that 7,417 (12.2 percent) were cases in which the value of the property exceeded \$50.

TABLE 1.—*Offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I</b>								
36 cities over 250,000; total population, 29,375,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	392	1,424	753	7,207	3,068	22,635	48,802	13,434
Rate per 100,000.....	1.3	1.5	2.6	24.5	10.4	101.9	220.0	60.5
<b>GROUP II</b>								
57 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 7,850,312:								
Number of offenses known.....	144	899	103	1,322	1,000	8,564	18,474	4,388
Rate per 100,000.....	1.8	1.3	1.3	16.8	12.9	109.1	235.3	55.9
<b>GROUP III</b>								
89 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 6,025,944:								
Number of offenses known.....	90	57	96	948	745	6,124	13,662	2,943
Rate per 100,000.....	1.5	0.9	1.6	15.7	12.4	101.6	226.7	48.8
<b>GROUP IV</b>								
154 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 5,348,039:								
Number of offenses known.....	53	42	62	547	400	4,861	11,340	2,352
Rate per 100,000.....	1.0	0.8	1.2	10.2	9.2	90.9	212.0	44.0
<b>GROUP V</b>								
454 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 7,041,694:								
Number of offenses known.....	72	29	114	571	554	4,673	11,538	2,139
Rate per 100,000.....	1.0	0.4	1.6	8.1	7.9	66.4	163.9	30.4
<b>GROUP VI</b>								
1,095 cities under 10,000; total population, 5,750,982:								
Number of offenses known.....	72	39	116	397	402	3,462	6,657	1,330
Rate per 100,000.....	1.3	0.7	2.0	6.9	7.0	60.2	115.8	23.1
Total 1,884 cities; total population, 61,392,571:								
Number of offenses known.....	823	4,690	1,244	10,992	6,259	50,319	110,563	26,586
Rate per 100,000.....	1.3	1.2	2.0	17.9	10.2	92.8	203.8	49.0

<sup>1</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence are based on reports of 34 cities with a total population of 27,647,400.

<sup>2</sup> The number of offenses and rate for burglary, larceny, and auto theft are based on reports of 35 cities with a total population of 22,221,300.

<sup>3</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence and aggravated assault are based on reports of 56 cities with a total population of 7,726,812.

<sup>4</sup> The number of offenses and rate for manslaughter by negligence are based on reports of 1,882 cities with a total population of 59,540,571.

<sup>5</sup> The number of offenses and rate for aggravated assault are based on reports of 1,884 cities with a total population of 61,399,071.

<sup>6</sup> The number of offenses and rate for burglary, larceny, and auto theft are based on reports of 1,884 cities with a total population of 54,238,271.

*Annual Trends, Offenses Known to the Police, 1931-38.*

Annual variations in the number of crimes committed during the first quarters of the years 1931-38 are presented in table 2. The data are based on reports received from 68 cities representing a total population of 19,063,102. Robbery, burglary, and larceny offenses disclose an increase as compared with 1937. Auto theft was the only offense against property which reflects a decrease in 1938.

The data shown in table 2 are also presented in figure 1.

TABLE 2.—*Annual trends, offenses known to the police, 68 cities over 100,000 in population, January to March, inclusive, 1931-38*

[Total population, 19,063,102, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Year	Criminal homicide		Rape	Rob- bery	Aggra- vated assault	Bur- glary— break- ing or enter- ing	Lar- ceny- theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonneg- ligent man- slaughter	Man- slaugh- ter by negli- gence						
<b>Number of offenses known:</b>								
1931	357	352	276	5,694	2,213	17,520	36,612	21,560
1932	363	309	266	5,234	1,933	19,213	36,536	18,492
1933	380	229	305	5,166	2,276	19,068	38,711	16,963
1934	315	315	301	3,946	2,146	18,671	39,724	14,077
1935	343	226	336	3,657	1,445	18,371	40,683	14,474
1936	295	181	311	3,138	2,182	16,097	36,963	11,471
1937	321	287	403	3,580	2,257	17,224	42,117	12,671
1938	300	196	402	3,965	2,070	18,551	45,169	11,061
<b>Daily average:</b>								
1931	4.0	3.9	3.1	63.3	24.6	194.7	493.8	210.6
1932	4.0	3.3	3.1	57.5	21.5	211.1	461.7	203.2
1933	4.2	2.5	3.4	57.4	25.3	212.1	430.1	188.8
1934	3.5	3.5	3.3	43.8	23.8	207.5	441.4	156.4
1935	3.8	2.5	3.7	40.6	23.8	200.3	432.0	160.8
1936	3.2	2.0	3.4	34.5	24.0	176.0	406.2	126.1
1937	3.6	3.2	4.5	39.8	25.1	191.4	466.0	140.8
1938	3.3	2.2	4.5	44.1	23.0	206.1	501.9	122.9

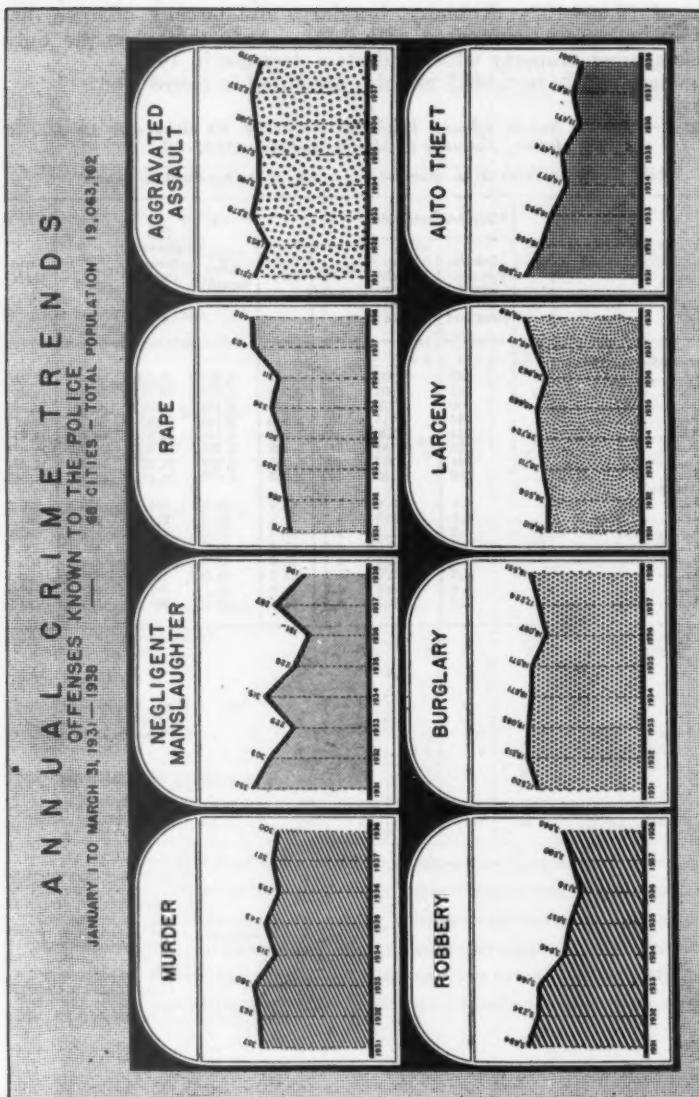


FIGURE 1.

**Data for Individual Cities With More than 100,000 Inhabitants.**

The number of offenses reported as having been committed during the first quarter of 1938 is shown in table 3. The compilation has been limited to the reports received from police departments in cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants. Such data are included here in order that interested individuals and organizations may have readily available up-to-date information concerning the amount of crime committed in their communities. Police administrators and other interested individuals will probably find it desirable to compare the crime rates of their cities with the average rates shown in table 1 of this publication. Similarly, they will doubtless desire to make comparisons with the figures for their communities for prior periods, in order to determine whether there has been an increase or a decrease in the amount of crime committed.

With reference to the possibility of comparing the amount of crime in one city with the amount of reported crime in other individual communities, it is suggested that such comparisons be made with a great deal of caution, because differences in the figures may be due to a great variety of factors. The amount of crime committed in a community is not chargeable to the police but is rather a charge against the entire community. The following is a list of some of the factors which might affect the amount of crime in a community: The composition of the population with reference particularly to age, sex, and race; the economic status and activities of the population; climate; educational, recreational, and religious facilities; the number of police employees per unit of population; the standards governing appointments to the police force; the policies of the prosecuting officials and the courts; the attitude of the public toward law enforcement problems. Comparisons between the crime rates of individual cities should not be made without giving consideration to the above-mentioned factors. It should be noted that it is more important to determine whether the figures for a given community show increases or decreases in the amount of crime committed than to ascertain whether the figures are above or below those of some other community.

In examining a compilation of crime figures for individual communities it should be borne in mind that in view of the fact that the data are compiled by different record departments operating under separate and distinct administrative systems, it is entirely possible that there may be variations in the practices employed in classifying complaints of offenses. On the other hand, the crime reporting manual has been distributed to all contributors of crime reports and the figures received are included in this bulletin only if they apparently have been compiled in accordance with the provisions of the manual, and the individual department has so indicated.

TABLE 3.—Number of offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938, cities over 100,000 in population

City	Murder, nonnegli- gent man- slaughter	Robbery	Aggra- vated assault	Bur- glary— breaking or enter- ing	Larceny—theft		Auto theft
					\$50 and over	Under \$50	
Akron, Ohio	2	49	31	323	53	302	142
Albany, N. Y.	7	10	36	18	129	45	
Atlanta, Ga.	18	151	91	780	191	1,265	355
Baltimore, Md.	14	223	170	768	225	875	626
Birmingham, Ala.	28	51	22	428	101	364	152
Boston, Mass.	127	33	272	190	668	746	
Bridgeport, Conn.	6	—	—	177	30	177	86
Buffalo, N. Y.	2	42	60	239	107	426	109
Cambridge, Mass.	18	1	111	16	133	97	
Camden, N. J.	2	11	12	10	47	60	17
Canton, Ohio	1	32	8	130	(1)	214	29
Chattanooga, Tenn.	10	35	(2)	156	9	318	60
Chicago, Ill.	51	2,222	310	3,649	844	2,680	731
Cincinnati, Ohio	10	156	66	711	211	1,487	207
Cleveland, Ohio	18	464	31	694	65	2,882	475
Columbus, Ohio	4	135	15	716	169	856	227
Dallas, Tex.	13	38	51	449	42	1,906	150
Dayton, Ohio	5	46	13	188	19	673	151
Denver, Colo.	2	70	10	266	76	453	151
Des Moines, Iowa	12	7	92	86	320	98	
Detroit, Mich.	13	418	168	1,614	218	5,116	725
Duluth, Minn.	12	—	—	28	23	290	45
Elizabeth, N. J.	3	12	3	85	23	170	45
El Paso, Tex.	31	12	213	23	466	64	
Erie, Pa.	15	7	78	13	60	60	
Fall River, Mass.	5	9	4	106	3	274	130
Flint, Mich.	55	32	171	45	536	112	
Fort Wayne, Ind.	12	3	109	19	417	126	
Fort Worth, Tex.	14	25	5	240	19	800	77
Gary, Ind.	4	27	33	68	10	118	33
Grand Rapids, Mich.	2	27	4	177	16	422	76
Hartford, Conn.	1	2	9	257	39	392	104
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii	3	12	5	215	27	386	54
Houston, Tex.	13	69	44	554	78	1,685	317
Indianapolis, Ind.	7	174	97	635	455	929	313
Jacksonville, Fla.	5	35	43	246	172	727	124
Kansas City, Kans.	5	37	13	167	20	222	27
Kansas City, Mo.	8	176	19	341	(1)	590	139
Knoxville, Tenn.	2	18	5	107	37	208	61
Long Beach, Calif.	33	9	315	56	611	162	
Los Angeles, Calif.	13	468	116	2,318	1,114	3,992	2,246
Louisville, Ky.	10	123	99	833	229	746	242
Lowell, Mass.	—	1	2	88	7	74	25
Lynn, Mass.	12	—	1	106	20	195	38
Memphis, Tenn.	12	105	195	352	33	356	94
Miami, Fla.	8	100	222	287	144	570	117
Milwaukee, Wis.	10	11	147	50	945	138	
Minneapolis, Minn.	1	74	22	408	137	708	335
Nashville, Tenn.	15	42	76	154	(1)	363	230
Newark, N. J.	1	91	113	278	118	972	371
New Bedford, Mass.	—	13	3	153	19	239	37
New Haven, Conn.	1	10	4	233	36	233	77
New Orleans, La.	21	28	80	175	60	193	165
New York, N. Y.	66	317	682	891	(1)	(1)	1,603
Norfolk, Va.	9	52	35	206	19	399	179
Oakland, Calif.	1	81	24	530	67	969	183
Oklahoma City, Okla.	9	69	52	288	16	804	71
Omaha, Nebr.	2	14	13	38	12	131	84
Paterson, N. J.	3	16	8	165	21	49	28
Peoria, Ill.	—	5	3	22	3	21	54
Philadelphia, Pa.	26	274	171	556	195	556	836
Pittsburgh, Pa.	6	196	55	549	131	351	558
Portland, Oreg.	2	73	17	668	226	1,358	243
Providence, R. I.	—	11	7	121	23	133	74
Reading, Pa.	—	5	12	107	23	168	30
Richmond, Va.	6	68	96	393	108	1,041	170
Rochester, N. Y.	1	15	8	180	30	319	83
St. Louis, Mo.	10	188	37	444	(1)	2,683	366
St. Paul, Minn.	37	5	206	44	293	124	
Salt Lake City, Utah	3	15	5	169	10	328	124
San Antonio, Tex.	9	70	52	424	63	445	152
San Diego, Calif.	4	26	3	147	16	241	101
San Francisco, Calif.	3	157	90	722	(1)	2,103	846
Scranton, Pa.	1	9	14	106	16	140	75

<sup>1</sup> Larcenies not separately reported. Figure listed includes both major and minor larcenies.

<sup>2</sup> Not reported.

TABLE 3.—Number of offenses known to the police, January to March, inclusive, 1938, cities over 100,000 in population—Continued

	City	Murder, nonnegli- gent man- slaughter	Robbery	Aggra- vated assault	Bur- glary— breaking or enter- ing	Larceny—theft		Auto theft
						\$50 and over	Under \$50	
Seattle, Wash.	5	60	21	503	73	910	349	
Somerville, Mass.	6	—	—	23	13	36	35	
South Bend, Ind.	26	—	—	97	15	86	45	
Spokane, Wash.	19	—	18	237	91	446	40	
Springfield, Mass.	4	—	3	63	17	202	71	
Syracuse, N. Y.	10	—	1	136	19	157	108	
Tacoma, Wash.	8	—	—	83	12	243	54	
Tampa, Fla.	3	11	25	85	40	212	20	
Toledo, Ohio	2	107	20	322	97	1,630	271	
Trenton, N. J.	—	10	19	160	28	231	30	
Tulsa, Okla.	4	84	35	307	57	604	78	
Utica, N. Y.	6	—	1	51	23	156	33	
Washington, D. C.	12	197	90	584	209	1,840	441	
Waterbury, Conn.	5	—	—	61	12	74	45	
Wichita, Kan.	4	—	5	119	15	382	20	
Wilmington, Del.	5	—	16	137	34	202	49	
Worcester, Mass.	3	10	23	133	53	58	140	
Yonkers, N. Y.	—	1	7	45	7	91	60	
Youngstown, Ohio	2	69	13	228	19	319	103	

#### Offenses Known in Territories and Possessions of the United States.

In table 4 available data are shown concerning the number of offenses known to law-enforcement agencies in Territories and possessions of the United States for the first 3 months of 1938.

The table includes reports from Honolulu County, Territory of Hawaii, the Canal Zone, and Puerto Rico. The figures are based on both urban and rural areas and the population figures from the 1930 decennial census are indicated in the table.

Offense data for the city of Honolulu are shown in table 3.

TABLE 4.—Number of offenses known in United States Territories and possessions, January to March, inclusive, 1938

[Population figures from Federal census, Apr. 1, 1930]

Jurisdiction reporting	Criminal homi- cide		Rape	Rob- bery	Aggra- vated assault	Bur- glary— breaking or enter- ing	Larceny— theft		Auto theft	
	Murder, nonnegli- gent man- slaughter	Manslaughter by negli- gence					Over \$50	Under \$50		
Hawaii: Honolulu County, pop- ulation, 65,341; number of of- fenses known	—	—	—	—	1	2	38	4	67	10
Isthmus of Panama: Canal Zone, population, 39,367; number of of- fenses known	—	—	—	—	1	—	21	5	78	7
Puerto Rico: Population, 1,543,- 913; number of offenses known	63	33	22	8	406	258	21	849	13	

stronaqal wodt odt jndi wodt odt hatoenq wodt off  
zorob moloa endoendia 22.7 hatoenq hatoenq wodt odt lo  
-100 mlt hatoenq wodt 710.7 dowlw lo 8801 lo wodt mlt adi  
5.50 odt endoendia moloa lo zekroenq lo eqaqen

**Data From Supplementary Offense Reports.**

In tables 5-7 there are presented the more detailed data compiled from supplementary offense reports received from the police departments of 36 cities with an aggregate population of 13,373,841. The period covered is the first quarter of 1938.

Table 5 reveals that nearly one-half of the rapes reported were forcible in nature. Of the 4,174 robberies reported, 2,220 (53.2 percent) were committed on city highways, and 1,703 (40.8 percent) were robberies of commercial establishments.

The 36 police departments represented in the tabulation reported 14,375 burglaries, almost one-half of which were committed in dwelling houses. With reference to the time of day the burglaries were perpetrated, it is shown that 77 percent were committed during the night, and 23 percent during the daytime. With reference to residences, however, the proportion of daytime burglaries was larger, amounting to 37 percent.

The figures for larceny disclose that 13.5 percent were cases in which the property stolen exceeded \$50 in value. In 64.4 percent of the cases the value of the property stolen was from \$5 to \$50, and was less than \$5 in the remaining 22.1 percent of the larcenies. The tabulation also reflects that 1.1 percent of the thefts were cases of pocket-picking and that 3.9 percent were instances of purse-snatching.

TABLE 5.—*Number of known offenses with divisions as to the nature of the criminal act, time and place of commission, and value of property stolen, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Classification	Number of actual offenses	Classification	Number of actual offenses
Rape:		Larceny—theft (except auto theft), (grouped according to value of article stolen):	
Forcible.....	128	Over \$50.....	3,760
Statutory.....	164	\$5 to \$50.....	17,947
Total.....	292	Under \$5.....	6,167
Robbery:		Total.....	27,874
Highway.....	2,220	Larceny—theft (grouped as to type of offense):	
Commercial house.....	1,218	Pocket-picking.....	314
Oil station.....	398	Purse-snatching.....	1,069
Chain store.....	83	All other.....	26,471
Residence.....	101	Total.....	27,874
Bank.....	4		
Miscellaneous.....	150		
Total.....	4,174		
Burglary—breaking or entering:			
Residence (dwelling):			
Committed during night.....	4,252		
Committed during day.....	2,465		
All other (store, office, etc.):			
Committed during night.....	6,875		
Committed during day.....	783		
Total.....	14,375		

The figures presented in table 6 show that the police departments of the 36 cities represented reported 7,428 automobiles stolen during the first quarter of 1938, of which 7,077 were recovered. The percentage of recoveries of stolen automobiles amounts to 95.3.

TABLE 6.—*Recoveries of stolen automobiles, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Number of automobiles stolen.....	7,428
Number of automobiles recovered.....	7,077
Percentage recovered.....	95.3

The value of property stolen and the value of property recovered are shown in table 7, as reported by 36 police departments. The total value of property stolen was \$5,541,558.50. Property recovered was valued at \$3,507,458.22 (63.3 percent). Automobiles constitute more than one-half of the property represented in table 7. Exclusive of automobiles, the value of property stolen was \$2,248,885, and the value of recoveries was \$412,273.22 (18 percent).

TABLE 7.—*Value of property stolen and value of property recovered with divisions as to type of property involved, January to March, inclusive, 1938; 36 cities over 100,000 in population*

[Total population, 13,373,841, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Type of property	Value of property stolen	Value of property recovered	Percent recovered
Currency, notes, etc.	\$309,690.48	\$74,934.83	14.7
Jewelry and precious metals	456,222.45	77,154.59	16.9
Furs	130,655.75	0,629.18	7.4
Clothing	336,015.64	58,245.00	17.3
Locally stolen automobiles	3,292,673.50	3,065,185.00	94.0
Miscellaneous	816,291.05	192,308.73	23.6
Total	5,541,558.50	3,507,458.22	63.3

**ANNUAL RETURNS, 1937**

Under the system of uniform crime reporting provision is made for annual reports which provide data for the compilation of information concerning the number of offenses disposed of by arrest and the number of persons taken into custody by the police. Comprehensive data for 1937 based on monthly crime reports were published in volume VIII, No. 4, of this publication. The following tabulations present information based on the annual reports for the calendar year 1937.

***Offenses Known and Offenses Cleared by Arrest, 1937.***

In table 8 information is presented concerning the number of actual offenses known to have been committed and the number cleared by arrest during 1937. The figures are also presented for the cities divided into six groups according to size.

The number of offenses listed as cleared by arrest indicates the number of crimes for each of which at least one of the offenders has been apprehended and made available for prosecution. In addition, the figures include cases cleared through exceptional circumstances, such as the suicide of the offender, the incarceration of the offender for another offense, etc.

The figures also include offenses cleared by arrest during 1937 which were committed during some prior year. The relationship between the number of offenses committed, the number of crimes disposed of by arrest and the number of persons held for prosecution is shown in table 9. The data in table 9 should be interpreted as follows:

With reference to group I, 81 of each 100 murders committed were cleared by the arrest of 85 persons who were made available for prosecution.

Relative to the figures showing the percentage of offenses disposed of by arrest, it may be pertinent to note that there are instances in which the police clear the crimes by arresting the guilty individuals, but they are unable to take credit for such clearances in their statistical reports due to the fact that it is not possible for them to produce proof that the individuals arrested were responsible for the crimes and because the persons arrested did not confess thereto, even though they had been convicted of one or more other violations. This factor would tend to cause the figures relative to offenses disposed of by arrest to be conservative.

Portions of the data in table 9 are presented in figure 2.

TABLE 8.—*Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I</b>								
26 cities over 250,000; total population, 17,544,100:								
Number of offenses known.....	1,283	857	1,697	17,612	7,480	56,935	142,234	39,493
Number cleared by arrest.....	1,044	710	1,311	7,508	5,263	21,830	34,939	7,022
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	81.4	82.8	77.3	42.6	70.4	38.3	24.6	17.8
<b>GROUP II</b>								
35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 5,093,341:								
Number of offenses known.....	241	358	361	2,179	2,386	17,552	43,347	11,887
Number cleared by arrest.....	227	299	316	747	1,767	8,281	11,824	2,357
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	94.2	83.5	87.5	34.3	74.1	30.1	27.3	19.8
<b>GROUP III</b>								
58 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 4,006,168:								
Number of offenses known.....	273	164	283	1,830	1,578	14,148	34,667	8,218
Number cleared by arrest.....	252	151	245	669	1,264	4,008	8,604	1,671
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	92.3	92.1	86.6	36.6	80.1	28.3	24.8	20.3
<b>GROUP IV</b>								
98 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 3,311,950:								
Number of offenses known.....	154	112	251	1,079	1,372	10,351	28,401	6,437
Number cleared by arrest.....	146	111	231	415	1,166	2,983	8,144	1,388
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	94.8	99.1	92.0	38.5	85.0	28.5	26.7	21.6
<b>GROUP V</b>								
277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 4,325,101:								
Number of offenses known.....	130	139	287	1,100	860	10,140	28,260	6,400
Number cleared by arrest.....	112	120	206	486	795	3,065	7,807	1,844
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	86.2	86.3	93.4	43.8	92.4	30.2	27.6	28.8
<b>GROUP VI</b>								
604 cities under 10,000; total population, 3,273,522:								
Number of offenses known.....	108	126	202	794	708	6,633	14,765	3,190
Number cleared by arrest.....	95	119	177	318	612	2,305	4,941	1,128
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	88.0	94.4	87.6	40.1	86.4	34.8	33.5	35.4
Total, 1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182:								
Number of offenses known.....	2,189	1,756	3,081	24,603	14,384	115,759	291,674	75,634
Number cleared by arrest.....	1,876	1,520	2,548	10,143	10,867	39,442	76,259	15,410
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	85.7	86.0	82.7	41.2	75.5	34.1	26.1	20.4

TABLE 9.—*Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, by population groups—number per 100 known offenses*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I</b>								
26 cities over 250,000; total population, 17,544,100:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	81.4	82.8	77.3	42.6	70.4	38.3	24.6	17.8
Persons charged.....	85.2	124.3	75.5	32.3	71.0	24.6	20.7	14.5
<b>GROUP II</b>								
35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 5,093,341:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	94.2	93.5	89.2	34.3	74.1	30.1	27.3	19.8
Persons charged.....	94.2	97.8	93.9	42.8	71.5	21.5	26.3	14.1
<b>GROUP III</b>								
58 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 4,006,168:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	92.3	92.1	86.6	36.6	80.1	28.3	24.8	20.3
Persons charged.....	95.0	101.8	88.7	32.7	96.6	19.2	20.4	13.3
<b>GROUP IV</b>								
96 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 3,311,950:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	94.8	99.1	92.0	38.5	85.0	28.5	28.7	21.6
Persons charged.....	95.5	96.4	91.6	44.6	91.5	24.1	25.1	17.9
<b>GROUP V</b>								
277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 4,325,101:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	86.2	86.3	93.4	43.8	92.4	30.2	27.6	28.8
Persons charged.....	72.3	89.9	98.6	50.7	92.1	24.7	24.1	24.0
<b>GROUP VI</b>								
604 cities under 10,000; total population, 3,273,522:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	88.0	94.4	87.6	40.1	86.4	34.8	33.5	35.4
Persons charged.....	91.7	97.6	90.1	49.6	86.6	31.1	29.7	31.1
<b>TOTAL, GROUP I-VI</b>								
1,008 cities; total population, 37,554,-182:								
Offenses known.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Offenses cleared by arrest.....	85.7	86.0	82.7	41.2	75.5	34.1	26.1	20.4
Persons charged.....	87.8	110.4	82.8	35.2	77.9	23.8	22.7	16.1

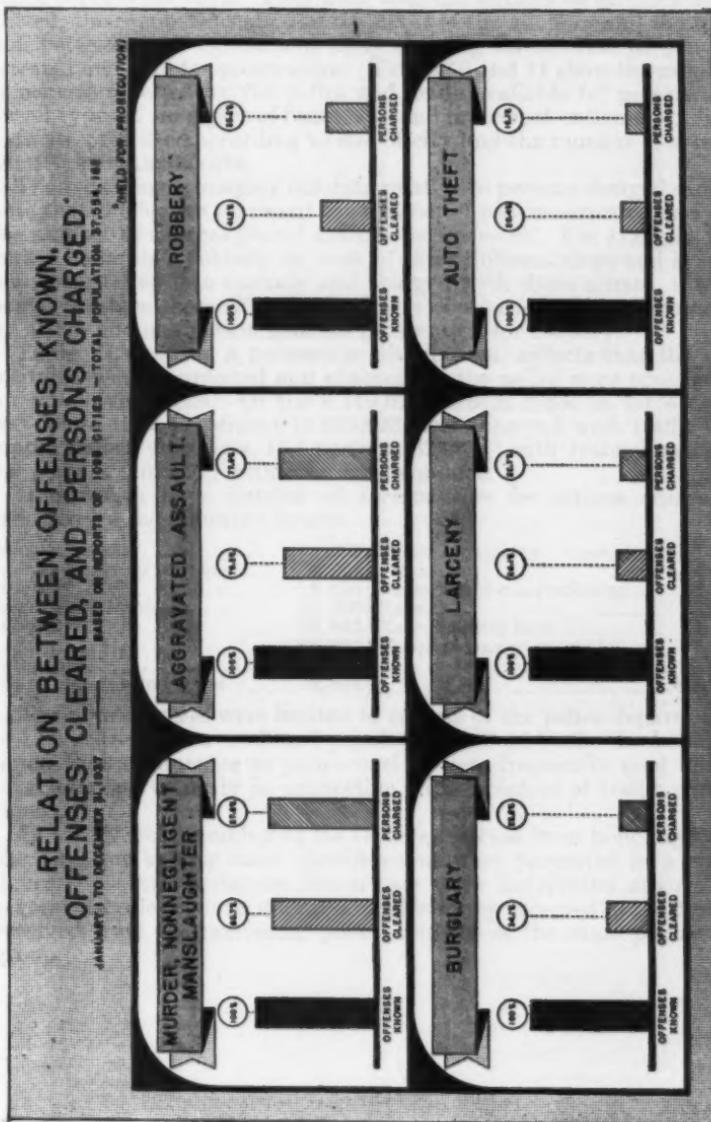


FIGURE 2.



**Persons Charged (Held for Prosecution), 1937.**

The information contained in tables 8 and 9 was based on annual police reports for 1937. They deal with the number of offenses committed, the number disposed of by arrest of the offender and the relation between such figures and those showing the number of persons arrested and held for prosecution. Tables 10 and 11 show the number of persons arrested by the police and made available for prosecution for all types of violations of State laws and municipal ordinances. The data are presented according to size of city and the number of arrests per 100,000 inhabitants.

Those desiring to employ the data relative to persons charged should note that the figures represent the number of persons arrested and not the number of charges placed against such persons. For example, if a person commits a robbery on each of three different days and is subsequently taken into custody and charged with those crimes, the reports will show three offenses of robbery committed, three disposed of by arrest and one person held for prosecution for robbery.

Table 10, showing a percentage distribution, reflects that the majority of persons arrested and charged by the police were prosecuted for minor violations. Of the 4,149,622 persons listed in table 11, it was found that 64 percent (2,653,923) were charged with traffic and motor vehicle violations, 15.1 percent (625,691) with drunkenness and 3.9 percent (162,597) with disorderly conduct.

However, a large number of arrests were for serious crimes as reflected by the following figures:

Murder.....	1, 922	Stolen property (receiving, etc.).....	4, 113
Manslaughter by negligence.....	1, 938	Forgery and counterfeiting.....	4, 270
Robbery.....	8, 656	Rape.....	2, 550
Aggravated assault.....	11, 200	Narcotic drug laws.....	2, 700
Burglary.....	27, 632	Weapons (carrying, etc.).....	6, 359
Larceny.....	66, 684		
Auto theft.....	12, 224	Total.....	158, 866
Embezzlement and fraud.....	8, 618		

The above figures were limited to reports of the police departments of 1,098 cities with a combined population of 37,554,182. It should be noted that summonses or police notices were frequently used in lieu of arrests, particularly in connection with violators of traffic regulations.

In a very small number of the reports received from police agencies the data for two or more classifications were presented in a single figure. In such instances the arrests were distributed among the several classifications in the ratio in which they occurred in the reports received from the remaining police agencies in the same population group.

TABLE 10.—*Percentage distribution of persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937*  
 [1,098 cities; total population, 37,554,182]

Offense charged	Percent	Offense charged	Percent
Criminal homicide:		Prostitution and commercialized vice	1.11
(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	0.05	Other sex offenses	.25
(b) Manslaughter by negligence	.05	Narcotic drug laws	.07
Robbery	.21	Weapons, carrying, possessing, etc.	.15
Aggravated assault	.27	Offenses against the family and children	.53
Other assaults	1.25	Liquor laws	.53
Burglary—breaking or entering	.67	Driving while intoxicated	1.02
Larceny—theft	1.61	Traffic and motor vehicle laws	63.95
Auto theft	.29	Disorderly conduct	3.91
Embezzlement and fraud	.21	Drunkenness	15.07
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing	.10	Vagrancy	1.98
Forgery and counterfeiting	.10	All other offenses	5.24
Rape	.06	Total	100.00

TABLE 11.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I 25 cities over 250,000 popula- tion, 17,554,100	Group II 35 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; popula- tion, 5,063,341	Group III 48 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; popula- tion, 4,006,168	Group IV 95 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; popula- tion, 3,311,960	Group V 27 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; popula- tion, 4,326,101	Group VI 604 cities under 10,000; popula- tion, 3,273,522	Total, 1,098 cities; total pop- ulation, 37,554,182
Criminal homicide:							
(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged	1,093	227	262	147	94	99	1,922
Rate per 100,000	6.2	4.5	6.5	4.4	2.2	3.0	5.1
(b) Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged	1,065	350	167	108	125	123	1,938
Rate per 100,000	6.1	6.9	4.2	3.3	2.9	3.8	5.2
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged	5,688	932	599	481	562	394	8,656
Rate per 100,000	32.4	18.3	15.0	14.5	13.0	12.0	23.0
Aggravated assault:							
Number of persons charged	5,311	1,705	1,154	1,255	792	613	11,200
Rate per 100,000	30.3	33.5	38.6	37.9	18.3	18.7	29.9
Other assaults:							
Number of persons charged	23,671	8,804	5,417	6,139	4,909	2,985	51,925
Rate per 100,000	134.9	172.9	135.2	185.4	113.5	91.2	138.3
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged	14,016	3,846	2,719	2,490	2,501	2,060	27,632
Rate per 100,000	79.9	75.5	67.9	75.2	57.8	62.9	73.6
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged	29,460	11,838	7,056	7,134	6,818	4,378	66,684
Rate per 100,000	167.9	232.4	176.1	215.4	157.6	133.7	177.6
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged	5,732	1,720	1,090	1,153	1,536	993	12,224
Rate per 100,000	32.7	33.8	27.2	34.8	35.5	30.3	32.6
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged	4,861	1,156	753	749	660	439	8,618
Rate per 100,000	27.7	22.7	18.8	22.6	15.3	13.4	22.9
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged	1,956	694	393	408	340	322	4,113
Rate per 100,000	11.1	13.6	9.8	12.3	7.9	9.8	11.0
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged	1,536	714	458	576	400	496	4,270
Rate per 100,000	8.8	14.0	11.4	17.4	11.3	15.2	11.4
Rape:							
Number of persons charged	1,282	322	251	230	283	182	2,550
Rate per 100,000	7.3	6.3	6.3	6.9	6.5	5.6	6.8
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged	36,030	6,906	1,116	1,200	571	384	46,216
Rate per 100,000	205.4	135.6	27.9	36.2	13.2	11.7	123.1

TABLE 11.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I 30 cities 250,000 to population, 17,544,100	Group II 58 cities 100,000 to 250,000; popula- tion, 5,063,361	Group III 58 cities, 25,000 to 100,000; popula- tion, 4,004,168	Group IV 58 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; popula- tion, 3,311,960	Group V 277 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; popula- tion, 4,325,101	Group VI 694 cities under 10,000; popula- tion, 3,273,523	Total, 1,988 cities; total population, 37,554,182
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged.....	5,345	1,306	1,255	1,029	986	523	10,444
Rate per 100,000.....	30.5	25.6	31.3	31.1	22.8	16.0	27.8
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,906	308	207	66	60	66	2,700
Rate per 100,000.....	11.4	6.0	5.2	2.0	1.4	2.0	7.2
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged.....	3,198	856	807	662	437	399	6,359
Rate per 100,000.....	18.2	16.8	20.1	20.0	10.1	12.2	16.9
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged.....	11,749	4,963	1,552	1,999	1,685	919	21,867
Rate per 100,000.....	68.0	85.3	38.7	60.4	39.0	28.1	56.4
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	8,559	4,433	2,823	2,603	1,883	1,428	21,780
Rate per 100,000.....	48.8	91.4	70.5	80.4	43.5	43.6	58.4
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged.....	11,768	5,487	5,142	5,245	7,402	7,147	42,191
Rate per 100,000.....	70.4	107.7	128.4	158.4	171.1	218.3	114.8
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	101,490,845	113,840,910	269,484	210,881	180,004	117,799	32,663,925
Rate per 100,000.....	10,099.8	8,276.0	6,726.7	6,367.3	4,161.8	3,596.5	7,730.9
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged.....	82,560	21,617	15,020	12,603	17,292	13,205	162,597
Rate per 100,000.....	472.3	424.4	374.9	380.5	309.8	403.4	433.0
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged.....	297,445	96,042	53,814	64,968	63,362	50,303	625,691
Rate per 100,000.....	1,695.4	1,885.6	1,343.3	1,961.6	1,465.7	1,528.3	1,666.1
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged.....	39,559	12,919	10,230	5,692	8,373	5,291	82,064
Rate per 100,000.....	225.5	283.6	255.4	171.9	193.6	161.6	218.5
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged.....	36,803	5,442	5,024	2,765	2,708	1,796	54,628
Rate per 100,000.....	209.8	106.8	125.4	83.5	64.7	54.9	145.5
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged.....	115,245	30,352	17,208	21,854	14,843	8,859	217,421
Rate per 100,000.....	656.9	772.6	431.0	689.9	343.2	270.6	579.0

<sup>1-12</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports from the number of cities indicated below:

Footnote	Cities	Population	Footnote	Cities	Population	Footnote	Cities	Population
1	57	3,948,768	5	1,095	36,831,282	9	1,097	36,737,062
2	1,097	37,496,782	6	34	4,849,841	10	23	14,761,200
3	25	17,266,100	7	1,097	37,310,682	11	32	4,650,944
4	33	4,648,441	8	25	16,727,000	12	1,092	34,328,885

Most of the police departments presented in their reports detailed information concerning the nature of the traffic violations with which persons were charged. This information is included in table 12 and is based upon the number of reports indicated in the table.

The types of violations to be included in each of the classes presented in table 12 are as follows:

Violation of road and driving laws includes violations of regulations with respect to the proper handling of a vehicle in order to prevent accidents. Examples are failure to obey traffic signal, improper speed, reckless driving, and operating with unsafe equipment.

Parking violations include all types of violations of parking regulations.

Other traffic and motor vehicle laws include violations not provided for in separate offense classes. Examples of cases to be listed here are failure to secure proper license for car or for driving, leaving scene of accident, lack of title, and obscured or defective markers.

The traffic infractions represented in table 12 were distributed as follows: Parking violations, 58.8 percent; violation of road and driving laws, 27.9 percent; other traffic and motor vehicle laws, 13.3 percent.

TABLE 12.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), traffic violations, except driving while intoxicated, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 1,048 cities; total population, 31,264,816
Offense charged	21 cities over 250,000; population, 13,347,800	27 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 3,905,044	52 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 3,607,979	91 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 3,086,186	265 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 4,115,168	592 cities under 10,000; population, 3,202,639	
Road and driving laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	400,997	50,684	66,068	39,455	56,210	42,877	656,291
Rate per 100,000.....	3,004.2	1,297.9	1,831.2	1,278.4	1,365.9	1,338.8	2,090.1
Parking violations:							
Number of persons charged.....	744,708	210,799	161,033	138,727	87,006	37,749	1,380,112
Rate per 100,000.....	5,579.3	5,398.1	4,463.2	4,495.1	2,116.5	1,178.7	4,414.3
Other traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	155,639	33,914	31,946	27,775	30,198	32,661	312,133
Rate per 100,000.....	1,166.0	868.5	885.4	900.0	733.8	1,019.8	998.4

#### *Offenses Known, Offenses Cleared by Arrest, and Persons Found Guilty, 1937.*

The annual crime reports for the calendar year 1937 included information concerning the number of persons found guilty. Compilations containing such information are presented in tables 13 and 14. The tabulations are based on reports received from the police departments of 51 cities with a combined population of 11,890,710. Reports were used only if the data concerning persons found guilty were apparently compiled in accordance with the procedure outlined in the crime reporting manual. If all, or almost all, of the persons listed as held for prosecution were also shown as convicted, the report was not used in preparing the following compilations, because it was thought probable that there was some misunderstanding as to the nature of the information to be recorded.

Table 13 contains information concerning the number of offenses known, the number cleared by arrest, the number of persons held for prosecution, and the number found guilty. Table 14 does not contain information concerning the number of offenses committed or the number of offenses disposed of by arrest, because under the system of uniform crime reporting such data are not collected for the part II offense classes.

Persons found guilty are subdivided as to whether they were convicted of the offense charged or of a less serious offense. A lesser

offense is one which bears a less severe penalty. The figures concerning those found guilty of a lesser offense include those convicted of a less serious offense within the same class or of a less serious offense in a different class.

The figures in table 13 show that there were 33,232 persons held for prosecution for part I classes. There were 18,378 (55.3 percent) found guilty of the offense charged, and 4,813 (14.5 percent) found guilty of a lesser offense, making a total of 23,191 (69.8 percent) found guilty. Table 14 shows that there were 1,084,953 persons held for prosecution for part II classes and that 781,741 (72.1 percent) were found guilty of the offense charged, and 4,345 (0.4 percent) were found guilty of a lesser offense, making a total of 786,086 (72.5 percent) found guilty.

TABLE 13.—*Offenses known, offenses cleared by arrest, and number of persons found guilty, 1937; 51 cities over 25,000 in population*

[Total population, 11,890,710, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense (Part I classes)	Number of offenses known to the police	Number of offenses cleared by arrest	Number of persons charged (held for prosecu- tion)	Number found guilty of offense charged	Number found guilty of lesser offense	Total found guilty (of offense charged or lesser offense)	Percent- age found guilty
Criminal homicide:							
(a) Murder and nonnegli- gent manslaughter.....	701	554	614	186	123	309	50.3
(b) Manslaughter by negli- gence.....	576	457	617	155	31	186	30.1
Rape.....	1,204	856	833	273	141	414	49.7
Robbery.....	12,055	4,921	2,960	1,462	614	2,016	68.1
Aggravated assault.....	4,938	3,146	3,272	1,304	463	1,767	54.0
Burglary—breaking or entering.....	37,696	14,081	6,150	2,688	1,756	4,444	72.2
Larceny—theft (except auto theft).....	100,229	23,301	16,059	10,829	1,351	12,190	75.9
Auto theft.....	20,758	4,327	2,718	1,531	334	1,865	68.6

TABLE 14.—*Number of persons charged (held for prosecution) and number found guilty, 1937; 51 cities over 25,000 in population*

[Total population, 11,890,710, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense (Part II classes)	Number of persons charged (held for prosecu- tion)	Number found guilty of offense charged	Number found guilty of lesser offense	Total found guilty (of offense charged or of lesser offense)	Percent- age found guilty
Other assaults.....	13,001	6,590	102	6,692	51.5
Forgery and counterfeiting.....	901	466	142	608	75.9
Embezzlement and fraud.....	3,467	1,482	302	1,784	51.5
Stolen property; buying, receiving, etc.....	1,002	425	88	513	51.2
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.....	1,060	1,615	83	1,698	66.1
Sex offenses (including prostitution and commercialized vice).....	11,695	5,716	1,124	5,840	40.9
Offenses against the family and children.....	8,066	3,977	176	4,153	51.9
Narcotic drug laws.....	757	441	40	481	63.5
Liquor laws.....	5,088	3,212	21	3,233	63.5
Drunkenness; disorderly conduct and vagrancy.....	174,104	108,644	288	108,932	62.6
Gambling.....	13,915	5,058	129	5,187	37.3
Driving while intoxicated.....	8,034	5,916	445	6,361	79.2
Traffic and motor vehicle laws.....	802,010	621,648	1,459	622,107	77.6
All other offenses.....	41,413	17,151	1,946	19,097	46.1

<sup>1</sup> Based on reports of 50 cities with a total population of 11,060,410.

<sup>2</sup> Based on reports of 49 cities with a total population of 9,925,710.

In several instances the offense classes in table 14 are not identical with those in table 11. This is due to the fact that some of the reports did not include separate figures for the classes which have been consolidated in table 14.

***Persons Released (Not Held for Prosecution), 1937.***

The annual report concerning persons dealt with by the police provides for a listing of the number of persons taken into custody who were released without any formal charge having been placed against them. Information of this type based on reports received from police departments of 613 cities with a total population of 15,286,656 is presented in table 15. The number of cities represented is substantially less than in table 11 because the reports were excluded if there were no entries in the column devoted to this type of data or if the entries appeared to be incomplete.

The figures in the following table include persons who were taken into custody because it was thought they had been involved in the commission of crimes and who were later released either because it was found that they were innocent or because of insufficient evidence. Also, the table includes instances in which youthful persons were taken into custody but were released because the complaining witnesses refused to prosecute when they learned of the youth of the offender. Likewise, the compilation includes individuals who were taken into custody and released with a reprimand or on the "golden rule" principle. Persons summoned, notified, or cited to appear in court or at a police traffic bureau because of alleged violations, who failed to appear in response thereto, and who were not subsequently arrested, are also represented in table 15. Warning tags issued in some cities for minor violations of traffic regulations are also represented in the following tabulation.

With reference to the classification "suspicion," it should be noted that if a person was taken into custody because it was suspected that he had been involved in the commission of a specific offense, his arrest and subsequent release without being held for prosecution should be listed opposite the offense class involved. Entries in table 15 opposite "suspicion" should be limited to instances in which persons were taken into custody because of circumstances which caused the police to believe that they had been involved in criminal activities of some nature, although they were not taken into custody in connection with some specific offense. From an examination of the reports received, it appears probable that in some instances the entries were placed opposite "suspicion" when they would have been more properly listed opposite some other offense class in accordance with the foregoing explanation.

TABLE 15.—*Persons released without being held for prosecution, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*  
 [Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense	Group I 10 cities over 250,000 population, 6,763,700	Group II 12 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; popula- tion, 1,985,444	Group III 28 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; popula- tion, 1,985,444	Group IV 53 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; popula- tion, 1,756,000	Group V 145 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; popula- tion, 2,365,483	Group VI 366 cities under 10,000; popula- tion, 1,985,289	Total, 613 cities; total population, 16,286,656
Criminal homicide:							
(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons released.....	88	5	41	4	5	13	156
Rate per 100,000.....	1.5	0.3	2.1	0.2	0.2	0.7	1.0
(b) Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons released.....	303	17	17	3	13	11	264
Rate per 100,000.....	3.5	1.1	0.9	0.2	0.6	0.6	1.7
Robbery:							
Number of persons released.....	558	168	157	43	127	139	1,192
Rate per 100,000.....	9.7	10.6	8.1	2.5	5.6	7.0	7.8
Aggravated assault:							
Number of persons released.....	527	108	96	32	109	70	942
Rate per 100,000.....	9.1	6.8	5.0	1.8	4.8	3.5	6.2
Other assaults:							
Number of persons released.....	2,487	130	200	230	406	354	3,809
Rate per 100,000.....	43.1	8.2	10.3	13.1	18.1	17.7	24.9
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons released.....	1,148	348	410	257	613	555	3,331
Rate per 100,000.....	19.9	21.9	21.2	14.6	27.3	27.8	21.8
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons released.....	3,294	567	726	602	1,288	1,056	7,463
Rate per 100,000.....	55.9	35.8	37.5	34.3	57.3	52.8	45.8
Auto theft:							
Number of persons released.....	601	204	177	121	234	178	1,515
Rate per 100,000.....	10.4	12.9	9.2	6.9	10.4	8.9	9.9
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons released.....	384	55	39	30	75	93	676
Rate per 100,000.....	6.7	3.5	2.0	1.7	3.3	4.7	4.4
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons released.....	152	37	49	64	77	75	454
Rate per 100,000.....	2.6	2.3	2.5	3.6	3.4	3.8	3.0
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons released.....	110	25	48	29	68	60	349
Rate per 100,000.....	1.9	1.6	2.5	1.7	3.0	3.5	2.3
Rape:							
Number of persons released.....	196	33	34	9	20	33	315
Rate per 100,000.....	3.4	2.1	1.2	0.5	0.9	1.7	2.1
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons released.....	5,378	38	59	17	41	84	5,647
Rate per 100,000.....	93.3	2.4	4.6	1.0	1.8	4.2	36.9
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons released.....	136	44	120	83	61	57	501
Rate per 100,000.....	2.4	2.8	6.2	4.7	2.7	2.9	3.3
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons released.....	146	9	37	3	21	20	230
Rate per 100,000.....	2.4	0.6	1.9	0.2	0.9	1.0	1.5
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons released.....	203	32	29	35	55	86	440
Rate per 100,000.....	3.5	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.4	4.3	2.9
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons released.....	1 <sup>1</sup> 191	2 <sup>1</sup> 106	97	93	190	200	1 <sup>1</sup> 877
Rate per 100,000.....	3.5	7.7	5.0	5.3	8.5	10.0	5.9
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons released.....	748	25	65	60	115	110	1,129
Rate per 100,000.....	13.0	1.6	3.4	3.8	5.1	5.5	7.4
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons released.....	130	70	114	106	149	220	789
Rate per 100,000.....	2.3	4.4	5.9	6.0	6.6	11.0	5.2
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons released.....	1 <sup>1</sup> 60,020	1 <sup>1</sup> 71,660	26,813	20,633	37,633	29,283	1 <sup>1</sup> 246,071
Rate per 100,000.....	1,577.8	6,230.6	1,386.4	1,175.9	1,673.7	1,465.3	1,909.0
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons released.....	3,117	358	502	505	1,380	1,579	7,441
Rate per 100,000.....	54.1	22.6	26.0	28.8	61.4	79.0	48.7
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons released.....	39,140	2,295	10,215	3,363	4,108	6,376	65,557
Rate per 100,000.....	678.8	144.7	528.2	191.7	185.4	319.1	428.9

TABLE 15.—*Persons released without being held for prosecution, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense	Group I 10 cities over 250,000; population, 5,765,700	Group II 12 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,582,500	Group III 26 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,853,944	Group IV 52 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,754,600	Group V 145 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 2,248,483	Group VI 366 cities under 10,000; population, 1,965,29	Total, 613 cities; total population, 15,286,656
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons released.....	468	1,472	438	1,434	1,135	6,346	11,293
Rate per 100,000.....	8.1	92.8	22.6	81.7	50.5	317.5	73.9
Gambling:							
Number of persons released.....	11,876	72	124	108	99	116	12,395
Rate per 100,000.....	206.0	4.5	6.4	6.2	4.4	5.8	81.1
Suspicion:							
Number of persons released.....	37,290	2,539	8,040	4,401	7,262	5,404	64,938
Rate per 100,000.....	646.8	160.1	415.7	250.8	323.0	270.4	424.8
All other offenses:							
Number of persons released.....	7,240	3,101	1,544	1,490	1,982	1,872	17,229
Rate per 100,000.....	125.6	195.6	79.8	84.9	88.1	93.7	112.7

<sup>1-4</sup> The number of persons released and the rate are based on the reports from the number of cities indicated below:

Footnote	Cities	Popula-tion	Footnote	Cities	Popula-tion	Footnote	Cities	Popula-tion
1.....	9	5,487,700	3.....	611	14,807,256	5.....	.....	9,150,600
2.....	11	1,384,100	4.....	8	3,804,000	6.....	608	12,950,056

As previously indicated, some of the reports listed all types of violators of traffic laws (except driving while intoxicated) in a single figure. In table 16 there are presented data for three types of violations of traffic laws based on reports which were apparently correctly prepared in that respect. The nature of the violations included in each class is the same as indicated in the comment preceding table 12.

TABLE 16.—*Persons released without being held for prosecution, traffic violations, except driving while intoxicated, 1937; number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 307 cities: total population, 9,779,847
	6 cities over 250,000; population, 2,452,109	7 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; population, 921,400	17 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,259,344	46 cities, 20,000 to 50,000; population, 1,861,800	118 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,884,245	313 cities under 10,000; population, 1,761,918	
Road and driving laws:							
Number of persons released.	14,711	9,888	2,101	2,105	2,635	6,573	38,013
Rate per 100,000.	576.4	1,073.1	170.9	134.9	144.4	388.5	388.7
Parking violations:							
Number of persons released.	43,992	61,133	22,680	13,901	32,368	10,040	190,204
Rate per 100,000.	1,728.8	6,634.8	1,844.9	800.4	1,774.3	948.0	1,944.9
Other traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons released.	652	800	1,652	3,733	2,573	6,124	15,334
Rate per 100,000.	23.5	65.1	134.4	239.2	141.0	361.9	150.8

#### Percentage of Offenses Cleared by Arrest, 1934-37.

There is presented in table 17 comparative data concerning the proportion of offenses cleared by arrest for the years 1934-37. The figures are based on reports received from the police departments of 46 cities with a combined population of 16,777,615. The compilation shows that the proportion of cleared cases of auto theft increased for each of the years represented. For larceny and robbery the highest proportion of clearances occurred in 1935. However, in the case of robbery the proportion of clearances in 1937 is higher than that shown for 1934. For burglary the highest proportion of offenses cleared occurred in 1936 although the 1937 figure is higher than that shown for each of the first two years represented in the table. For the remaining types of crimes (classed as offenses against the person), the variation in the figures is rather irregular.

TABLE 17.—*Percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1934-37*

[46 cities over 100,000, total population 16,777,615, as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Year	Criminal homicide		Rape	Rob- bery	Aggravated assault	Bur- glary- breaking or enter- ing	Lar- ceny- theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonneg- ligent man- slaughter	Manslaughter by neg- ligence						
1934	79.5	77.7	77.5	35.5	64.8	1 27.9	1 23.3	1 11.9
1935	83.5	65.1	60.1	47.9	62.4	1 32.8	1 24.9	1 14.8
1936	79.3	71.6	70.8	44.1	63.3	1 36.7	1 23.8	1 16.5
1937	80.0	79.0	73.9	39.7	65.8	1 35.4	1 22.1	1 17.1

<sup>1</sup> The data for burglary are based on reports of 45 cities with a total population of 16,620,615.

<sup>2</sup> The data for larceny-theft are based on reports of 43 cities with a total population of 16,231,481.

<sup>3</sup> The data for auto theft are based on reports of 41 cities with a total population of 13,229,915.

**Offenses Known, Offenses Cleared by Arrest, and Persons Charged, by Geographic Divisions, 1937.**

The preceding tables showed cities divided into six groups according to size. The information presented in tables 18-37 is based on the same reports. However, the cities have been divided into nine groups according to location. It will, therefore, be possible to furnish some basis for estimating the approximate amount of minor crimes in each of the nine geographic sections of the United States.

In examining the tabulations relative to the proportion of offenses cleared by arrest, it should be noted that in some of the geographic divisions the total number of cities represented is quite low. This is particularly noticeable in the tables where the cities are divided according to size within each geographic division. Variances may be partially attributable to a failure to maintain a complete record of offenses cleared. Inadequate personnel would cause a tendency toward low figures. Figures shown for prostitution and commercialized vice may be considered conservative inasmuch as many jurisdictions treat charges for these violations as vagrancy, disorderly conduct, etc.

TABLE 18.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by geographic divisions

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Geographic division	Criminal homicide		Rape	Rob- bery	Aggra- vated assault	Bur- glary— break- ing or enter- ing	Lar- ceny- theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonneg- ligent man- slaugh- ter	Man- slaugh- ter by negli- gence						
<b>NEW ENGLAND STATES</b>								
117 cities; total population, 3,947,479:								
Number of offenses known.....	56	161	315	719	446	8,399	18,918	7,455
Number cleared by arrest.....	49	153	304	412	407	3,347	7,161	1,609
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	87.5	95.0	96.5	57.3	91.3	37.6	37.9	21.6
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES</b>								
203 cities; total population, 7,571,366:								
Number of offenses known.....	233	352	515	1,913	2,146	12,796	25,901	10,018
Number cleared by arrest.....	201	233	490	951	1,849	4,790	8,605	2,136
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	86.3	94.6	95.1	49.7	86.2	37.5	33.2	21.3
<b>EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES</b>								
283 cities; total population, 12,492,- 822:								
Number of offenses known.....	595	402	1,294	12,299	4,580	30,376	98,611	21,268
Number cleared by arrest.....	461	368	850	4,714	2,650	12,457	19,825	4,454
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	77.5	74.8	68.9	38.3	57.9	31.6	20.1	20.9
<b>WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES</b>								
132 cities; total population, 4,187,718:								
Number of offenses known.....	199	178	190	2,319	691	11,584	33,917	8,630
Number cleared by arrest.....	179	157	172	998	583	5,021	9,516	2,185
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.9	88.2	86.4	43.0	84.4	42.3	28.1	25.3
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES</b>								
57 cities; total population, 2,905,960:								
Number of offenses known.....	491	136	319	3,282	3,353	14,833	35,628	9,087
Number cleared by arrest.....	441	122	201	1,460	2,783	5,015	11,261	1,241
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.8	89.7	91.2	44.5	83.0	33.8	31.6	13.7
<b>EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES</b>								
17 cities; total population, 282,180:								
Number of offenses known.....	74	44	15	140	246	1,055	1,508	476
Number cleared by arrest.....	67	38	11	80	217	223	707	87
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.5	86.4	73.3	57.1	88.2	21.1	45.1	18.3
<b>WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES</b>								
49 cities; total population, 2,451,273:								
Number of offenses known.....	294	149	191	1,512	1,942	11,035	32,281	5,046
Number cleared by arrest.....	253	142	179	661	1,586	3,907	9,686	1,487
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.6	95.3	93.7	43.7	81.7	34.5	30.0	29.5
<b>MOUNTAIN STATES</b>								
42 cities; total population, 775,112:								
Number of offenses known.....	35	15	79	480	171	3,356	8,681	2,170
Number cleared by arrest.....	31	12	69	242	157	1,264	2,788	539
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	88.6	80.0	87.3	49.5	91.6	37.7	32.1	24.8
<b>PACIFIC STATES</b>								
108 cities; total population, 2,940,243:								
Number of offenses known.....	112	229	214	1,930	800	12,535	36,160	11,484
Number cleared by arrest.....	94	185	182	625	635	3,518	6,710	1,672
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.9	80.8	85.0	32.4	78.5	28.1	18.6	14.6

TABLE 19.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by geographic divisions*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	New England States	Middle Atlantic States	East North Central States	West North Central States	South Atlantic States	East South Central States	West South Central States	Mountain States	Pacific States
Criminal homicide:	117 cities; total population, 3,947,479	283 cities; total population, 7,257,366	283 cities; total population, 12,929,823	182 cities; total population, 4,187,718	67 cities; total population, 2,905,969	17 cities; total population, 282,180	49 cities; total population, 2,451,273	42 cities; total population, 775,112	108 cities; total population, 2,940,245
(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter:									
Number of persons charged.....	44	191	498	182	486	55	332	28	106
Rate per 100,000.....	1.1	2.5	4.0	4.3	16.7	19.5	13.5	3.6	3.6
(b) Manslaughter by negligence:									
Number of persons charged.....	205	346	546	159	346	42	116	16	162
Rate per 100,000.....	5.2	4.6	4.4	3.8	11.9	14.9	4.7	2.1	5.5
Robbery:									
Number of persons charged.....	523	959	2,868	786	1,782	84	779	189	886
Rate per 100,000.....	13.2	12.7	23.0	18.8	61.3	29.8	31.8	24.4	23.3
Aggravated assault:									
Number of persons charged.....	403	1,924	2,427	601	3,260	201	1,631	110	644
Rate per 100,000.....	10.2	25.4	19.4	14.4	114.4	71.2	66.5	14.2	21.9
Other assaults:									
Number of persons charged.....	4,388	12,424	11,173	1,899	15,243	653	3,688	552	1,905
Rate per 100,000.....	111.2	164.1	89.4	45.3	524.5	231.4	150.5	71.2	64.8
Burglary—breaking or entering:									
Number of persons charged.....	3,217	4,236	5,854	2,425	5,562	214	3,277	606	2,154
Rate per 100,000.....	81.5	55.9	46.9	57.9	191.4	75.8	133.7	89.4	73.3
Larceny—theft:									
Number of persons charged.....	6,459	6,967	14,509	7,400	12,548	751	10,273	1,736	6,041
Rate per 100,000.....	163.6	92.0	116.1	176.7	481.8	266.1	419.1	224.0	205.5
Auto theft:									
Number of persons charged.....	1,440	1,867	2,856	1,472	1,614	67	1,271	249	1,388
Rate per 100,000.....	36.5	24.7	22.9	35.2	55.5	23.7	51.9	32.1	47.2
Embezzlement and fraud:									
Number of persons charged.....	407	813	3,386	987	1,756	47	399	150	673
Rate per 100,000.....	10.3	10.7	27.1	23.6	60.4	16.7	16.3	19.4	22.0
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:									
Number of persons charged.....	518	506	1,119	272	673	73	568	69	223
Rate per 100,000.....	13.1	7.9	9.0	6.5	23.2	25.9	23.2	8.9	7.6
Forgery and counterfeiting:									
Number of persons charged.....	318	400	818	636	454	45	556	167	867
Rate per 100,000.....	8.1	5.4	6.5	15.2	15.6	15.9	22.7	21.5	29.5
Rape:									
Number of persons charged.....	327	520	785	197	282	11	200	73	155
Rate per 100,000.....	8.3	6.9	6.3	4.7	9.7	3.9	8.2	9.4	5.3
Prostitution and commercialized vice:									
Number of persons charged.....	532	11,584	9,496	7,900	5,334	29	5,054	3,681	4,634
Rate per 100,000.....	13.5	183.0	76.0	190.8	183.6	10.3	206.2	141.3	157.6
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):									
Number of persons charged.....	2,518	1,258	2,184	654	1,968	15	901	169	657
Rate per 100,000.....	63.8	17.9	17.5	15.6	68.4	5.3	36.8	21.8	22.3
Narcotic drug laws:									
Number of persons charged.....	133	176	568	210	156	14	552	105	786
Rate per 100,000.....	3.4	2.3	4.5	5.0	5.4	5.0	22.5	13.5	26.7
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:									
Number of persons charged.....	295	926	1,511	365	1,522	161	935	191	453
Rate per 100,000.....	7.5	12.2	12.1	8.7	52.4	57.1	38.1	24.6	15.4
Offenses against family and children:									
Number of persons charged.....	3,943	3,459	6,690	1,679	4,632	52	1,320	34	1,049
Rate per 100,000.....	99.9	45.7	53.6	40.1	159.4	18.4	19.0	4.4	35.7

Footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 19.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by geographic divisions—Continued*

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

	New England States	Middle Atlantic States	East North Central States	West North Central States	South Atlantic States	East South Central States	West South Central States	Mountain States	Pacific States
<b>Offense charged</b>									
Liquor laws:									
Number of persons charged.	674	1,941	5,111	1,875	8,698	458	4,248	233	556
Rate per 100,000.	17.1	25.6	40.9	44.8	290.3	162.3	101.6	30.1	18.9
Driving while intoxicated:									
Number of persons charged.	4,185	4,944	11,800	3,881	5,465	681	2,289	1,301	7,585
Rate per 100,000.	106.0	65.3	94.5	92.0	261.6	241.3	93.4	179.5	258.0
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:									
Number of persons charged.	137,267	386,812	846,807	281,754	197,440	7,912	368,978	87,559	340,394
Rate per 100,000.	3,579.4	5,108.9	8,178.4	6,728.1	9,451.9	2,803.9	14,644.6	11,266.3	12,553.5
Disorderly conduct:									
Number of persons charged.	5,084	33,046	34,886	14,728	43,597	1,981	14,972	6,403	7,901
Rate per 100,000.	128.8	436.5	279.3	351.7	1,500.2	702.0	610.8	826.1	208.7
Drunkenness:									
Number of persons charged.	97,176	90,132	128,342	47,665	86,742	7,803	57,802	16,513	93,516
Rate per 100,000.	2,461.7	1,190.4	1,027.3	1,138.2	2,984.9	2,765.3	2,358.0	2,130.4	3,180.6
Vagrancy:									
Number of persons charged.	1,528	12,094	8,535	10,008	5,702	396	11,836	2,770	27,317
Rate per 100,000.	38.7	171.6	68.3	239.0	198.2	140.3	482.5	576.5	929.1
Gambling:									
Number of persons charged.	4,456	4,577	15,159	1,987	7,458	455	5,907	499	14,130
Rate per 100,000.	112.9	60.5	121.3	47.4	256.6	161.2	241.0	64.4	480.0
All other offenses:									
Number of persons charged.	15,435	43,874	45,402	19,844	38,038	2,257	27,969	4,436	30,166
Rate per 100,000.	391.0	579.5	363.4	473.9	1,309.0	799.8	1,141.0	572.3	685.9
<sup>1-4</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below:									
Footnote	Cities	Population	Footnote	Cities	Population	Footnote	Cities	Population	
1.	56	2,848,580	4.	48	2,207,773	7.	-----	260	10,354,222
2.	41	481,912	5.	50	2,088,889	8.	-----	107	2,783,243
3.	46	1,728,373	6.	116	3,834,882				

<sup>1-8</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below:

TABLE 20.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## NEW ENGLAND STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
GROUP I.—2 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,042,500:								
Number of offenses known.....	18	73	137	380	214	1,785	4,565	3,227
Number cleared by arrest.....	15	72	137	255	210	1,486	3,284	690
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.3	98.6	100.0	67.1	98.1	83.2	71.9	21.7
GROUP II.—5 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 1,051,831:								
Number of offenses known.....	7	30	52	138	141	3,404	7,022	2,394
Number cleared by arrest.....	7	29	51	62	59	23.8	706	354
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	96.7	98.1	44.9	79.4	23.8	23.7	14.8
GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 344,802:								
Number of offenses known.....	7	13	27	32	12	703	1,161	490
Number cleared by arrest.....	6	13	27	9	12	181	281	160
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	85.7	100.0	100.0	28.1	100.0	25.7	24.2	32.7
GROUP IV.—15 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 506,392:								
Number of offenses known.....	4	17	18	57	28	1,232	2,418	626
Number cleared by arrest.....	4	16	17	12	27	328	706	128
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	94.1	94.4	21.1	96.4	26.6	29.2	20.4
GROUP V.—46 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 750,270:								
Number of offenses known.....	13	24	56	102	39	1,301	3,022	586
Number cleared by arrest.....	13	19	50	68	35	391	908	222
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	79.2	89.3	66.7	89.7	28.1	80.0	37.9
GROUP VI.—41 cities under 10,000; total population, 251,664:								
Number of offenses known.....	7	4	25	10	12	384	730	132
Number cleared by arrest.....	4	4	22	6	11	152	315	46
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	57.1	100.0	88.0	60.0	91.7	39.6	43.2	34.8
Total, 117 cities; total population, 3,947,479:								
Number of offenses known.....	56	161	315	719	446	8,899	18,918	7,455
Number cleared by arrest.....	49	153	304	412	407	8,347	7,161	1,609
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	87.5	95.0	96.5	57.3	91.3	37.6	37.9	21.6

TABLE 21.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## NEW ENGLAND STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I 2 cities over 250,000; population, 1,042,500	Group II 8 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,051,831	Group III 5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 445,892	Group IV 15 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 506,392	Group V 46 cities under 10,000; population, 750,270	Group VI 41 cities under 25,000; population, 251,664	Total, 117 cities; total population, 3,947,479
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged.....	20	5	4	3	7	4	44
Rate per 100,000.....	1.9	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.9	1.6	1.1
Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged.....	121	30	13	18	19	4	205
Rate per 100,000.....	11.6	2.9	3.8	3.6	2.5	1.6	5.2
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	335	75	12	24	70	7	523
Rate per 100,000.....	32.1	7.1	3.5	4.7	9.3	2.8	13.2

TABLE 21.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

NEW ENGLAND STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

	Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
	Aggravated assault:							
	Number of persons charged .....	198	108	18	25	41	13	403
	Rate per 100,000.....	19.0	10.3	5.2	4.9	5.5	5.2	10.2
	Other assaults:							
	Number of persons charged .....	1,546	1,224	248	314	806	250	4,388
	Rate per 100,000.....	148.3	116.4	71.9	62.0	107.4	99.3	111.2
	Burglary—breaking or entering:							
	Number of persons charged .....	1,618	602	164	322	370	141	3,217
	Rate per 100,000.....	155.2	57.2	47.6	63.6	49.3	56.0	81.5
	Larceny—theft:							
	Number of persons charged .....	2,870	1,551	275	586	841	336	6,459
	Rate per 100,000.....	275.3	147.5	79.8	115.7	112.1	133.5	163.6
	Auto theft:							
	Number of persons charged .....	632	320	116	102	227	43	1,440
	Rate per 100,000.....	60.6	30.4	33.6	20.1	30.3	17.1	36.5
	Embezzlement and fraud:							
	Number of persons charged .....	187	132	3	30	46	9	407
	Rate per 100,000.....	17.9	12.5	0.9	5.9	6.1	3.6	10.3
	Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
	Number of persons charged .....	309	99	19	20	49	22	518
	Rate per 100,000.....	29.6	9.4	5.5	3.9	6.5	8.7	13.1
	Forgery and counterfeiting:							
	Number of persons charged .....	194	55	5	15	20	29	318
	Rate per 100,000.....	18.6	5.2	1.5	3.0	2.7	11.5	8.1
	Rape:							
	Number of persons charged .....	156	50	28	15	56	22	327
	Rate per 100,000.....	15.0	4.8	8.1	3.0	7.5	8.7	8.3
	Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
	Number of persons charged .....	246	194	1	71	9	11	532
	Rate per 100,000.....	23.6	18.4	0.3	14.0	1.2	4.4	13.5
	Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
	Number of persons charged .....	1,411	421	129	198	259	100	2,518
	Rate per 100,000.....	135.3	40.0	37.4	39.1	34.5	36.7	63.8
	Narcotic drug laws:							
	Number of persons charged .....	105	22	—	4	1	1	133
	Rate per 100,000.....	10.1	2.1	—	0.8	0.1	0.4	3.4
	Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
	Number of persons charged .....	187	46	7	22	24	9	295
	Rate per 100,000.....	17.9	4.4	2.0	4.3	3.2	3.6	7.5
	Offenses against family and children:							
	Number of persons charged .....	1,408	1,180	162	388	606	199	3,943
	Rate per 100,000.....	135.1	112.2	47.0	76.6	80.8	79.1	99.9
	Liquor laws:							
	Number of persons charged .....	191	246	24	81	91	41	674
	Rate per 100,000.....	18.3	23.4	7.0	16.0	12.1	16.3	17.1
	Driving while intoxicated:							
	Number of persons charged .....	774	837	296	652	1,124	502	4,185
	Rate per 100,000.....	74.2	79.6	85.8	128.8	149.8	190.5	106.0
	Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
	Number of persons charged .....	48,717	166,575	4,239	6,836	8,561	2,239	137,267
	Rate per 100,000.....	4,673.1	7,088.2	1,258.4	1,349.9	1,141.1	889.6	3,579.4
	Disorderly conduct:							
	Number of persons charged .....	1,170	2,349	80	887	636	102	5,084
	Rate per 100,000.....	112.2	223.3	23.2	135.7	84.8	64.4	128.8
	Drunkenness:							
	Number of persons charged .....	51,166	22,416	4,682	7,211	9,212	2,489	97,176
	Rate per 100,000.....	4,908.0	2,131.1	1,357.9	1,424.0	1,227.8	986.9	2,461.7
	Vagrancy:							
	Number of persons charged .....	279	544	121	226	267	91	1,528
	Rate per 100,000.....	26.8	51.7	35.1	44.6	38.6	36.2	38.7
	Gambling:							
	Number of persons charged .....	2,176	917	387	274	526	176	4,456
	Rate per 100,000.....	206.7	87.2	112.2	54.1	70.1	69.9	112.9
	All other offenses:							
	Number of persons charged .....	4,463	3,977	1,066	2,395	2,904	630	15,435
	Rate per 100,000.....	428.1	378.1	309.2	473.0	387.1	250.3	391.0

<sup>1-2</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 7 cities, 939,234 population; <sup>2</sup> 116 cities, 3,834,882 population.

TABLE 22.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary—breaking or entering	Larceny—theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 2,990,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	135	78	227	977	1,043	3,478	7,047	4,013
Number cleared by arrest.....	113	72	211	572	866	1,940	3,135	856
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.7	92.3	93.0	58.5	83.0	55.8	44.5	21.3
GROUP II.—8 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 1,112,800:								
Number of offenses known.....	12	90	74	240	329	2,771	5,263	1,851
Number cleared by arrest.....	10	97	72	90	233	982	1,374	260
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.3	98.0	97.3	37.5	76.9	35.4	26.1	14.0
GROUP III.—12 cities, 100,000 to 100,000; total population, 876,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	25	21	41	239	211	2,144	3,785	1,530
Number cleared by arrest.....	24	18	39	82	180	513	1,048	250
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	96.0	85.7	95.1	34.3	85.3	23.9	27.7	16.1
GROUP IV.—18 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 592,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	16	30	50	86	158	1,143	3,021	807
Number cleared by arrest.....	14	30	47	38	164	289	743	173
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	87.5	100.0	94.0	44.2	103.8	25.3	24.6	21.4
GROUP V.—73 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 1,161,184:								
Number of offenses known.....	25	67	79	217	262	1,976	4,494	1,276
Number cleared by arrest.....	22	60	79	118	255	630	1,454	378
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	88.0	89.6	100.0	54.4	97.3	31.9	32.4	29.6
GROUP VI.—179 cities under 10,000; total population, 937,562:								
Number of offenses known.....	20	57	44	154	143	1,274	2,291	821
Number cleared by arrest.....	18	56	42	51	131	436	851	219
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.0	98.2	95.5	33.1	91.6	34.2	37.1	42.0
Total, 293 cities; total population, 7,571,366:								
Number of offenses known.....	233	352	515	1,913	2,146	12,786	25,901	10,018
Number cleared by arrest.....	201	333	490	951	1,840	4,700	8,605	2,136
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	86.3	94.6	95.1	48.7	86.2	37.5	33.2	21.3

TABLE 23.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 293 cities; total population, 7,571,366
	3 cities over 250,000; population, 2,990,600	8 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 1,112,800	12 cities 60,000 to 100,000; population, 876,600	18 cities 25,000 to 60,000; population, 592,600	73 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,161,184	179 cities under 10,000; population, 937,562	
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged.....	104	10	24	14	22	17	191
Rate per 100,000.....	3.6	0.9	2.7	2.4	1.9	1.8	2.5
Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged.....	72	97	20	30	69	88	346
Rate per 100,000.....	2.5	8.7	2.3	5.1	5.9	6.2	4.6
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	494	97	91	54	150	73	959
Rate per 100,000.....	17.1	8.7	10.4	9.1	12.9	7.8	12.7

TABLE 23.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

		Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Auto theft									
		Aggravated assault:							
		Number of persons charged.....	918	299	200	168	239	130	1,924
		Rate per 100,000.....	31.8	24.2	22.8	28.3	20.6	13.9	25.4
		Other assaults:							
		Number of persons charged.....	6,771	1,407	807	1,132	1,398	909	12,424
		Rate per 100,000.....	234.2	126.4	92.1	191.0	120.4	97.0	164.1
		Burglary—breaking or entering:							
		Number of persons charged.....	2,074	531	391	287	379	374	4,226
		Rate per 100,000.....	71.7	47.7	44.6	48.4	49.9	39.9	55.9
		Larceny—theft:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,865	1,108	916	798	1,389	891	6,967
4,013	856	Rate per 100,000.....	64.5	99.6	104.5	134.7	119.6	93.0	92.0
21.3		Auto theft:							
		Number of persons charged.....	785	297	198	159	277	211	1,867
		Rate per 100,000.....	27.2	21.3	22.6	26.8	23.9	22.5	24.7
		Embezzlement and fraud:							
		Number of persons charged.....	161	119	82	125	189	137	813
		Rate per 100,000.....	5.6	10.7	9.4	21.1	16.3	14.6	10.7
		Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
		Number of persons charged.....	321	63	40	43	65	66	596
1,851	260	Rate per 100,000.....	11.1	5.7	4.6	7.3	5.6	7.0	7.9
14.0		Forgery and counterfeiting:							
		Number of persons charged.....	113	78	31	56	74	57	409
		Rate per 100,000.....	3.9	7.0	3.5	9.4	6.4	6.1	5.4
		Rape:							
		Number of persons charged.....	229	69	39	50	87	46	520
		Rate per 100,000.....	7.9	6.2	4.4	8.4	7.5	4.9	6.9
		Prostitution and commercial vice:							
		Number of persons charged.....	10,748	352	310	58	102	14	11,584
		Rate per 100,000.....	371.8	31.6	35.4	9.8	8.8	1.5	153.0
		Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
		Number of persons charged.....	682	192	143	94	129	118	1,358
		Rate per 100,000.....	23.6	17.3	16.3	15.9	11.1	12.6	17.9
		Narcotic drug laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	117	21	28	1	2	7	176
		Rate per 100,000.....	4.0	1.9	3.2	0.2	0.2	0.7	2.3
		Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
		Number of persons charged.....	524	107	86	65	78	66	926
		Rate per 100,000.....	18.1	9.6	9.8	11.0	6.7	7.0	12.2
		Offenses against family and children:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,560	508	375	267	519	230	3,459
		Rate per 100,000.....	54.0	45.7	42.8	45.1	44.7	24.5	45.7
		Liquor laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,328	138	138	94	169	74	1,941
		Rate per 100,000.....	45.9	12.4	15.7	15.9	14.6	7.9	25.6
		Driving while intoxicated:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,994	420	564	402	898	666	4,944
		Rate per 100,000.....	69.0	37.7	64.3	67.8	77.3	71.0	65.3
		Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	150,373	66,949	46,770	39,096	41,738	32,886	386,812
		Rate per 100,000.....	5,513.5	6,016.3	5,335.4	6,597.4	3,594.4	3,507.5	5,108.9
		Disorderly conduct:							
		Number of persons charged.....	12,728	3,404	2,789	3,398	5,960	4,767	33,046
		Rate per 100,000.....	440.3	305.9	318.2	573.4	513.3	508.4	436.5
		Drunkenness:							
		Number of persons charged.....	46,852	10,732	9,928	6,575	9,936	6,108	90,132
		Rate per 100,000.....	1,620.8	964.4	1,132.6	1,109.7	855.7	651.5	1,190.4
		Vagrancy:							
		Number of persons charged.....	8,236	969	1,007	490	1,284	1,008	12,994
		Rate per 100,000.....	284.9	87.1	114.9	82.7	110.6	107.5	171.6
		Gambling:							
		Number of persons charged.....	2,593	353	362	784	320	165	4,577
		Rate per 100,000.....	89.7	31.7	41.3	132.3	27.6	17.6	60.5
		All other offenses:							
		Number of persons charged.....	28,621	4,622	1,880	2,754	3,564	2,433	43,874
		Rate per 100,000.....	900.1	415.3	214.5	464.7	306.9	239.5	579.5

191

2.5

346

4.6

659

12.7

TABLE 24.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Bur.- glary- breaking or enter- ing	Lar- ceny— theft	Auto theft	Ag- gre- gate offenses known
	Murder, nonneg- ligent man- slaughter	Manslaugh- ter by negli- gence							
GROUP I.—7 cities over 250,000; total population, 7,399,000:									
Number of offenses known.....	487	301	849	10,255	3,547	26,028	63,600	12,314	La.
Number cleared by arrest.....	342	220	532	4,062	1,983	8,491	11,748	2,105	Ag.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	74.8	73.1	62.7	39.6	55.9	32.6	18.5	17.1	Ot.
GROUP II.—6 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, \$71,100:									Bu.
Number of offenses known.....	37	76	86	410	419	2,600	8,889	2,381	La.
Number cleared by arrest.....	36	37	58	144	224	885	1,420	524	Au.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	97.3	48.7	67.4	35.1	53.5	32.9	16.0	22.0	En.
GROUP III.—19 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 1,253,410:									Sto.
Number of offenses known.....	41	55	112	729	302	3,825	8,834	2,390	Fo.
Number cleared by arrest.....	35	52	91	247	124	1,151	2,308	590	Ra.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	85.4	94.5	81.3	33.9	61.4	30.1	26.1	24.7	Re.
GROUP IV.—31 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 1,066,100:									Pro.
Number of offenses known.....	28	21	84	395	167	2,864	8,917	2,026	Na.
Number cleared by arrest.....	25	20	80	122	128	689	1,796	533	Off.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	80.3	95.2	95.2	30.9	76.6	24.1	21.6	26.3	Lic.
GROUP V.—68 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 1,066,525:									Dr.
Number of offenses known.....	14	12	55	319	110	2,492	6,133	1,462	Na.
Number cleared by arrest.....	8	12	50	86	96	719	1,548	418	Se.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	57.1	100.0	90.9	27.0	87.3	28.9	25.2	28.6	Tr.
GROUP VI.—152 cities under 10,000; total population, 836,687:									Dis.
Number of offenses known.....	18	27	48	191	135	1,477	2,838	605	Va.
Number cleared by arrest.....	15	27	39	53	95	522	1,005	284	Ga.
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.3	100.0	81.3	27.7	70.4	35.3	35.4	40.9	All.
Total, 263 cities; total population, 12,492,822:									
Number of offenses known.....	595	492	1,234	12,299	4,660	39,376	98,611	21,268	
Number cleared by arrest.....	481	368	850	4,714	2,650	12,457	19,825	4,454	
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	77.5	74.8	68.9	38.3	57.9	31.6	20.1	30.0	

TABLE 25.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 263 cities, total population, 12,492,822
7 cities over 250,000; population, 7,399,000							
6 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 871,100							
19 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 1,253,410							
31 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 1,066,525							
68 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 1,066,525							
152 cities under 10,000; population, 836,687							
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged.....	383	33	38	19	8	17	498
Rate per 100,000.....	5.2	3.8	3.0	1.8	0.8	2.0	4.0
Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged.....	394	42	49	21	14	26	546
Rate per 100,000.....	5.3	4.8	3.9	2.0	1.3	3.1	4.4
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,220	178	170	138	88	74	2,868
Rate per 100,000.....	30.0	20.4	13.6	12.9	8.3	8.8	23.0

TABLE 25.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

## EAST NORTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

		Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Auto theft	12,314 2,105 17.1	Aggravated assault:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,835	134	126	145	91	96	2,427
		Rate per 100,000.....	24.8	15.4	10.1	13.6	8.5	11.5	19.4
		Other assaults:							
		Number of persons charged.....	6,475	1,078	1,035	1,372	686	527	11,173
		Rate per 100,000.....	87.5	123.8	82.6	128.7	64.3	63.0	89.4
		Burglary—breaking or entering:							
		Number of persons charged.....	3,475	375	538	554	492	420	5,854
		Rate per 100,000.....	47.0	43.0	42.9	52.0	46.1	50.2	46.9
		Larceny—theft:							
		Number of persons charged.....	8,190	1,265	1,455	1,499	1,272	828	14,500
		Rate per 100,000.....	110.7	145.2	116.1	140.6	119.3	96.0	116.1
		Auto theft:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,291	222	328	416	358	241	2,856
		Rate per 100,000.....	17.4	25.5	26.2	39.0	33.6	28.8	22.9
		Embezzlement and fraud:							
		Number of persons charged.....	2,445	212	207	255	126	141	3,396
		Rate per 100,000.....	33.0	21.3	16.5	23.9	11.8	16.9	27.1
		Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
		Number of persons charged.....	752	59	98	106	58	46	1,119
		Rate per 100,000.....	10.2	6.8	7.8	9.9	5.4	5.5	9.0
		Forgery and counterfeiting:							
		Number of persons charged.....	262	124	96	152	97	87	818
		Rate per 100,000.....	3.5	14.2	7.7	14.3	9.1	10.4	6.5
		Rape:							
		Number of persons charged.....	461	58	90	78	52	46	785
		Rate per 100,000.....	6.2	6.7	7.2	7.3	4.9	5.5	6.3
		Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
		Number of persons charged.....	8,496	350	215	284	133	18	9,496
		Rate per 100,000.....	114.8	40.2	17.2	26.6	12.5	2.2	76.0
		Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,182	166	245	304	209	78	2,184
		Rate per 100,000.....	16.0	19.1	19.5	28.5	19.6	9.9	17.5
		Narcotic drug laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	499	20	12	19	7	11	568
		Rate per 100,000.....	6.7	2.3	1.0	1.8	0.7	1.3	4.5
		Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
		Number of persons charged.....	1,014	87	118	144	81	67	1,511
		Rate per 100,000.....	13.7	10.0	9.4	13.5	7.6	8.0	12.1
		Offenses against family and children:							
		Number of persons charged.....	4,700	320	554	574	295	157	6,600
		Rate per 100,000.....	64.7	38.7	44.2	53.8	27.7	18.8	53.6
		Liquor laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	3,124	562	410	530	302	183	5,111
		Rate per 100,000.....	42.2	64.5	32.7	49.7	28.3	21.9	40.9
		Driving while intoxicated:							
		Number of persons charged.....	4,039	1,014	1,666	1,664	1,658	1,759	11,800
		Rate per 100,000.....	54.6	116.4	132.9	150.1	155.5	210.2	94.5
		Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
		Number of persons charged.....	150,458	158,978	79,418	48,675	42,066	27,312	846,807
		Rate per 100,000.....	10,867.6	8,431.6	6,336.2	4,565.7	3,944.2	3,264.3	8,178.4
		Disorderly conduct:							
		Number of persons charged.....	18,739	3,159	3,772	3,021	3,503	2,695	34,889
		Rate per 100,000.....	253.3	362.6	300.9	283.4	328.4	322.1	279.3
		Drunkenness:							
		Number of persons charged.....	72,065	8,748	11,906	17,287	9,989	8,347	128,342
		Rate per 100,000.....	974.0	1,004.2	949.9	1,621.5	936.6	997.6	1,027.3
		Vagrancy:							
		Number of persons charged.....	3,302	1,265	1,586	631	1,320	431	8,535
		Rate per 100,000.....	44.6	145.2	126.5	59.2	123.8	51.5	68.3
		Gambling:							
		Number of persons charged.....	12,575	603	829	345	630	177	15,150
		Rate per 100,000.....	170.0	69.2	66.1	32.4	59.1	21.2	121.3
		All other offenses:							
		Number of persons charged.....	27,502	3,306	4,727	4,904	2,497	2,376	45,402
		Rate per 100,000.....	371.7	369.9	377.1	460.0	234.1	294.0	393.4

<sup>1-3</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 5 cities, 5,433,200 population; <sup>2</sup> 5 cities, 698,300 population; <sup>3</sup> 280 cities, 10,354,222 population.

TABLE 26.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I.—4 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,998,500:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	111	103	118	1,489	340	5,446	17,002	4,252
Number cleared by arrest.....	92	96	99	731	284	3,129	4,400	1,002
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	82.9	93.2	83.9	49.1	83.5	57.5	25.9	23.6
<b>GROUP II.—5 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 706,000:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	31	56	18	348	140	2,110	4,534	1,535
Number cleared by arrest.....	33	47	16	98	119	607	1,467	514
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	106.5	83.9	88.9	28.2	85.0	28.8	32.4	33.5
<b>GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 348,300:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	15	2	15	137	42	1,490	4,079	1,160
Number cleared by arrest.....	15	2	12	46	30	385	925	217
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	80.0	33.6	71.4	25.8	22.7	18.7
<b>GROUP IV.—7 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 232,700:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	9	—	11	111	31	848	2,534	493
Number cleared by arrest.....	9	—	11	37	29	290	932	88
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	—	100.0	33.3	93.5	35.3	36.8	17.8
<b>GROUP V.—35 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 500,823:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	21	14	27	134	90	1,256	4,049	778
Number cleared by arrest.....	19	10	26	48	79	351	1,234	256
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.5	71.4	96.3	35.8	87.8	27.9	30.5	32.9
<b>GROUP VI.—76 cities under 10,000; total population, 401,396:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	12	3	10	100	48	734	1,719	412
Number cleared by arrest.....	11	2	8	38	42	250	558	108
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	91.7	66.7	80.0	38.0	87.5	34.1	32.5	26.2
<b>Total, 132 cities; total population, 4,187,718:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	190	178	199	2,319	691	11,884	33,917	8,630
Number cleared by arrest.....	179	157	172	998	583	5,021	9,516	2,185
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.9	88.2	86.4	43.0	84.4	42.3	28.1	25.3

TABLE 27.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 132 cities; total population, 4,187,718
	4 cities over 250,000; population, 1,998,500	5 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 706,000	5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 348,300	7 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 232,700	35 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 500,823	76 cities under 10,000; population, 401,396	
<b>Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:</b>							
Number of persons charged.....	103	35	14	6	11	13	182
Rate per 100,000.....	5.2	5.0	4.0	2.6	2.2	3.2	4.3
<b>Manslaughter by negligence:</b>							
Number of persons charged.....	94	55	2	—	7	1	159
Rate per 100,000.....	4.7	7.8	.6	—	1.4	.2	3.8
<b>Robbery:</b>							
Number of persons charged.....	474	119	41	54	60	38	786
Rate per 100,000.....	23.7	16.9	11.8	23.2	12.0	9.5	18.8

TABLE 27.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

WEST NORTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Aggravated assault:							
Number of persons charged	313	104	26	28	85	45	601
Rate per 100,000	15.7	14.7	7.5	12.0	17.0	11.2	14.4
Other assaults:							
Number of persons charged	485	717	208	68	285	136	1,899
Rate per 100,000	24.3	101.6	59.7	29.2	56.9	33.9	45.3
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged	1,017	560	166	157	317	208	2,425
Rate per 100,000	50.9	79.3	47.7	67.5	63.3	51.8	57.9
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged	2,940	1,711	653	417	1,128	551	7,400
Rate per 100,000	147.1	242.4	187.5	179.2	225.2	137.3	176.7
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged	702	298	93	57	204	118	1,472
Rate per 100,000	35.1	42.2	26.7	24.5	40.7	29.4	35.2
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged	685	86	85	30	72	29	987
Rate per 100,000	34.3	12.2	24.4	12.9	14.4	7.2	23.6
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged	74	78	16	15	56	33	272
Rate per 100,000	3.7	11.0	4.6	6.4	11.2	8.2	6.5
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged	222	125	60	46	122	61	638
Rate per 100,000	11.1	17.7	17.2	19.8	24.4	15.2	15.2
Rape:							
Number of persons charged	114	26	13	11	26	7	197
Rate per 100,000	5.7	3.7	3.7	4.7	5.2	1.7	4.7
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged	7,571	247	23	73	54	22	7,990
Rate per 100,000	378.8	35.0	6.6	31.4	10.8	5.5	190.8
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged	338	118	71	38	55	34	654
Rate per 100,000	16.9	16.7	20.4	16.3	11.0	8.5	15.6
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged	108	12	76	4	4	6	210
Rate per 100,000	5.4	1.7	21.8	1.7	.8	1.5	5.0
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged	204	68	21	11	41	20	365
Rate per 100,000	10.2	9.6	6.0	4.7	8.2	5.0	8.7
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged	1,342	147	52	17	72	49	1,679
Rate per 100,000	67.2	20.8	14.9	7.3	14.4	12.2	40.1
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged	376	674	144	85	436	290	1,875
Rate per 100,000	13.8	95.5	41.3	36.5	87.1	64.8	44.8
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged	1,040	872	210	262	894	573	3,851
Rate per 100,000	52.0	123.5	60.3	112.6	178.5	142.8	92.0
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged	191,121	37,561	30,680	2,278	12,763	7,351	281,754
Rate per 100,000	9,563.2	5,320.3	8,808.5	978.9	2,548.4	1,831.4	6,728.1
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged	10,968	601	785	400	1,224	730	14,728
Rate per 100,000	549.8	85.1	225.4	171.9	244.4	181.9	351.7
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged	12,761	13,933	4,454	3,334	7,330	5,853	47,665
Rate per 100,000	638.5	1,973.5	1,278.8	1,432.7	1,463.6	1,458.2	1,138.2
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged	5,255	2,418	506	602	824	403	16,008
Rate per 100,000	262.9	342.5	145.3	258.7	164.5	100.4	239.0
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged	369	614	561	76	266	101	1,987
Rate per 100,000	18.5	87.0	161.1	32.7	53.1	25.2	47.4
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged	7,441	7,388	2,114	600	1,046	655	19,944
Rate per 100,000	372.3	1,046.5	606.9	257.8	328.7	163.2	473.9

TABLE 28.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Man-slaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,592,500:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	245	51	197	2,497	906	8,547	17,677	6,223
Number cleared by arrest.....	203	44	183	1,132	792	2,973	5,709	765
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	82.9	86.3	92.9	45.3	87.4	34.8	32.3	12.3
<b>GROUP II.—2 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 314,610:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	68	20	35	347	788	2,357	6,065	1,035
Number cleared by arrest.....	61	18	32	112	598	565	1,424	116
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.7	90.0	91.4	32.3	75.9	24.0	23.5	11.2
<b>GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 337,289:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	80	22	34	181	479	1,566	5,170	665
Number cleared by arrest.....	81	20	26	80	406	484	1,216	64
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	101.3	90.9	76.5	44.2	84.8	30.9	23.5	9.6
<b>GROUP IV.—10 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 356,434:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	66	29	34	154	825	1,391	4,616	728
Number cleared by arrest.....	66	29	33	74	669	580	2,008	156
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	97.1	48.1	81.1	41.7	43.5	21.4
<b>GROUP V.—10 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 164,849:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	20	4	12	67	235	541	1,317	272
Number cleared by arrest.....	18	3	11	44	212	208	568	82
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.0	75.0	91.7	65.7	90.2	38.4	43.1	30.1
<b>GROUP VI.—27 cities under 10,000; total population, 140,307:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	12	10	7	36	120	431	783	164
Number cleared by arrest.....	12	8	6	18	106	205	336	58
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	80.0	85.7	50.0	88.3	47.6	42.9	35.4
<b>Total, 57 cities; total population, 2,905,969:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	491	136	319	3,282	3,353	14,833	35,628	9,087
Number cleared by arrest.....	441	122	291	1,460	2,783	5,015	11,261	1,241
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.8	89.7	91.2	44.5	83.0	33.8	31.6	13.7

TABLE 29.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group						Total, 57 cities; total population, 2,905,969
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged.....	230	61	91	72	20	12.1	486
Rate per 100,000.....	14.4	19.4	27.0	20.2	12.1	8.6	16.7
Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged.....	235	48	23	26	4	10	346
Rate per 100,000.....	14.8	15.3	6.8	7.3	2.4	7.1	11.9
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,358	157	99	92	44	32	1,782
Rate per 100,000.....	85.3	49.9	20.4	25.8	26.7	22.8	61.3

TABLE 29.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

	Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
	Aggravated assault:							
	Number of persons charged.....	935	624	1,679	703	203	115	3,259
	Rate per 100,000.....	88.7	198.3	234.2	197.2	123.1	82.0	114.4
	Other assaults:							
	Number of persons charged.....	6,606	3,134	2,032	2,149	743	579	15,243
	Rate per 100,000.....	414.8	906.2	602.5	602.9	450.7	412.7	524.5
	Burglary—breaking or entering:							
	Number of persons charged.....	3,698	552	411	525	188	186	5,562
	Rate per 100,000.....	232.2	175.5	121.9	147.3	114.0	134.0	191.4
	Larceny—theft:							
	Number of persons charged.....	7,109	1,324	1,244	1,920	577	374	12,548
	Rate per 100,000.....	446.4	420.8	308.8	538.7	350.0	266.6	431.8
	Auto theft:							
	Number of persons charged.....	1,161	138	50	143	84	38	1,614
	Rate per 100,000.....	72.9	43.9	14.8	40.1	51.0	27.1	55.5
	Embezzlement and fraud:							
	Number of persons charged.....	823	432	192	211	83	15	1,756
	Rate per 100,000.....	51.7	137.3	56.9	59.2	50.3	10.7	60.4
	Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
	Number of persons charged.....	251	143	58	126	38	57	673
	Rate per 100,000.....	15.8	45.5	17.2	35.4	23.1	40.6	23.2
	Forgery and counterfeiting:							
	Number of persons charged.....	151	79	62	109	22	31	454
	Rate per 100,000.....	9.5	25.1	18.4	30.6	13.3	22.1	15.6
	Rape:							
	Number of persons charged.....	165	42	29	29	11	6	282
	Rate per 100,000.....	10.4	13.3	8.6	8.1	6.7	4.3	9.7
	Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
	Number of persons charged.....	4,013	839	246	163	37	36	5,334
	Rate per 100,000.....	232.0	265.7	72.9	45.7	22.4	25.7	183.6
	Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
	Number of persons charged.....	1,339	139	132	176	141	61	1,968
	Rate per 100,000.....	84.1	44.2	30.1	49.4	85.5	43.5	68.4
	Narcotic drug laws:							
	Number of persons charged.....	141	6	8	3	—	2	156
	Rate per 100,000.....	8.9	0.6	2.4	0.8	—	1.4	5.4
	Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
	Number of persons charged.....	672	191	269	251	66	73	1,522
	Rate per 100,000.....	42.2	60.7	79.8	70.4	40.0	52.0	52.4
	Offenses against family and children:							
	Number of persons charged.....	1,857	1,547	287	587	147	207	4,632
	Rate per 100,000.....	116.6	491.7	85.1	164.7	89.2	147.5	159.4
	Liquor laws:							
	Number of persons charged.....	2,997	1,640	1,779	1,624	303	355	8,698
	Rate per 100,000.....	188.2	321.3	527.4	455.6	183.8	253.0	299.3
	Driving while intoxicated:							
	Number of persons charged.....	3,173	471	930	1,180	485	666	4,546
	Rate per 100,000.....	223.5	149.7	275.7	331.1	294.2	474.7	261.6
	Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
	Number of persons charged.....	314,903	30,406	19,999	22,521	6,129	3,482	497,440
	Rate per 100,000.....	14,815.8	9,664.7	5,929.3	6,318.4	3,717.9	2,481.7	9,451.9
	Disorderly conduct:							
	Number of persons charged.....	25,558	7,820	4,640	3,051	1,446	1,082	43,597
	Rate per 100,000.....	1,604.9	2,485.6	1,375.7	856.0	877.2	771.2	1,500.2
	Drunkenness:							
	Number of persons charged.....	30,518	10,621	9,002	14,385	6,765	6,451	86,742
	Rate per 100,000.....	2,481.5	3,375.9	2,608.9	4,035.8	4,103.8	4,597.8	2,984.9
	Vagrancy:							
	Number of persons charged.....	3,675	781	382	450	224	190	5,702
	Rate per 100,000.....	230.8	248.2	113.3	126.3	135.9	135.4	196.2
	Gambling:							
	Number of persons charged.....	3,082	1,197	1,537	876	514	252	7,458
	Rate per 100,000.....	193.5	380.5	455.7	245.8	311.8	179.7	256.6
	All other offenses:							
	Number of persons charged.....	20,007	7,337	1,797	7,180	969	748	38,038
	Rate per 100,000.....	1,256.3	2,332.1	532.8	2,014.4	587.8	533.1	1,309.0

<sup>1-4</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 4 cities, 289,889 population; <sup>2</sup> 56 cities, 2,848,589 population; <sup>3</sup> 2 cities, 775,400 population; <sup>4</sup> 56 cities, 2,088,889 population.

TABLE 30.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto-theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
<b>GROUP I and GROUP II.<sup>1</sup></b>								
GROUP III.—2 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 134,400:								
Number of offenses known.....	43	31	5	65	128	614	870	239
Number cleared by arrest.....	40	26	3	35	106	112	428	21
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	93.0	83.9	60.0	53.8	82.8	18.2	49.2	8.1
GROUP IV.—1 city, 25,000 to 50,000; population, 32,824:								
Number of offenses known.....	3	1	3	47	40	278	243	95
Number cleared by arrest.....	3	1	2	23	37	36	63	10
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	66.7	48.9	92.5	12.9	25.9	10.5
GROUP V.—3 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 67,900:								
Number of offenses known.....	15	7	2	16	20	77	275	87
Number cleared by arrest.....	12	6	1	13	19	24	111	35
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	80.0	85.7	50.0	81.3	95.0	31.2	40.4	40.2
GROUP VI.—9 cities under 10,000; total population, 47,956:								
Number of offenses known.....	13	5	5	12	58	86	180	35
Number cleared by arrest.....	12	5	5	9	55	51	105	21
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	92.3	100.0	100.0	75.0	94.8	59.3	58.3	60.0
Total, 17 cities; total population, 222,180:								
Number of offenses known.....	74	44	15	140	246	1,055	1,568	476
Number cleared by arrest.....	67	38	11	80	217	223	707	87
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.5	86.4	73.3	57.1	88.2	21.1	45.1	18.3

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 31.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I <sup>1</sup>	Group II <sup>1</sup>	Group III		Group IV		Group V		Group VI		Total 17 cities; total population, 222,180
			2 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 134,400	1 city 25,000 to 50,000; population, 32,824	5 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 67,956	9 cities under 10,000; population, 47,956	under 10,000; population, 47,956	9 cities under 10,000; population, 47,956	under 10,000; population, 47,956	9 cities under 10,000; population, 47,956	
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:											
Number of persons charged.....			37	3	6	9	18.8	55	19.5		
Rate per 100,000.....			27.5	9.1	9.0	7.5	10.4	42	14.9		
Manslaughter by negligence:											
Number of persons charged.....			31	1	5	7.5	10.4	84	29.8		
Rate per 100,000.....			23.1	3.0	22.4	22.9	71.2	201	71.2		
Robbery:											
Number of persons charged.....			35	23	15	11	44	653	231.4		
Rate per 100,000.....			26.0	70.1	31.3	91.8	158.5	158.5			
Aggravated assault:											
Number of persons charged.....			99	87	21	44	76				
Rate per 100,000.....			73.7	112.7	31.3	91.8					
Other assaults:											
Number of persons charged.....			330	34	213	76					
Rate per 100,000.....			245.5	103.6	317.9	158.5					

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 31.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

EAST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged.....	111	36	17	50	214		
Rate per 100,000.....	82.6	109.7	25.4	104.3	75.8		
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	416	59	180	96	751		
Rate per 100,000.....	309.5	179.7	268.7	200.2	266.1		
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	20	10	16	22	67		
Rate per 100,000.....	14.9	30.5	22.4	45.9	23.7		
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged.....	21	9	15	2	47		
Rate per 100,000.....	15.6	27.4	22.4	4.2	16.7		
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged.....	16	28	26	3	73		
Rate per 100,000.....	11.9	85.3	38.8	6.3	25.9		
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged.....	15	10	6	14	45		
Rate per 100,000.....	11.2	30.5	9.0	29.2	15.9		
Rape:							
Number of persons charged.....	3	2	1	5	11		
Rate per 100,000.....	2.2	6.1	1.5	10.4	3.9		
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged.....	5	18	2	4	29		
Rate per 100,000.....	3.7	54.8	3.0	8.3	10.3		
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged.....	1	8	5	1	15		
Rate per 100,000.....	0.7	24.4	7.5	2.1	5.3		
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	2	8	1	3	14		
Rate per 100,000.....	1.5	24.4	1.5	6.3	5.0		
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged.....	48	12	55	46	161		
Rate per 100,000.....	35.7	36.6	82.1	95.9	57.1		
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged.....	2	43	3	4	52		
Rate per 100,000.....	1.5	131.0	4.5	8.3	18.4		
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	55	34	195	174	458		
Rate per 100,000.....	40.9	103.6	291.0	362.8	162.3		
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged.....	211	4	196	270	681		
Rate per 100,000.....	157.0	12.2	202.5	563.0	241.3		
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	4,579	97	2,290	956	7,912		
Rate per 100,000.....	3,407.0	295.5	3,403.0	1,993.5	2,803.9		
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged.....	736	375	357	513	1,981		
Rate per 100,000.....	547.6	1,142.5	532.8	1,069.7	702.0		
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,717	2	2,892	2,192	7,803		
Rate per 100,000.....	2,021.6	6.1	4,316.4	4,570.9	2,765.3		
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged.....	265	61	51	19	396		
Rate per 100,000.....	197.2	185.8	76.1	39.6	140.3		
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged.....	73	22	143	217	455		
Rate per 100,000.....	54.3	67.0	213.4	452.5	161.2		
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,961	141	71	84	2,257		
Rate per 100,000.....	1,459.1	429.6	106.0	175.2	709.8		

Total, 17 cities; total population, 282,180

35  
19.5  
42  
14.9  
84  
29.8  
201  
71.2  
653  
231.4

TABLE 32.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering	Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,066,900:								
Number of offenses known.....	239	73	87	702	860	4,233	13,338	2,642
Number cleared by arrest.....	216	72	79	371	672	1,539	3,034	789
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	90.4	96.6	90.8	52.8	78.1	36.4	22.7	29.9
GROUP II.—4 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 719,900:								
Number of offenses known.....	75	55	47	533	525	3,825	10,645	1,529
Number cleared by arrest.....	69	49	46	165	427	1,277	4,241	404
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	92.0	89.1	97.9	31.0	81.3	33.4	39.8	26.4
GROUP III.—4 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 256,700:								
Number of offenses known.....	48	12	15	122	391	1,622	4,068	412
Number cleared by arrest.....	38	12	14	52	324	541	974	104
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	79.2	100.0	93.3	42.6	82.9	33.4	23.8	25.2
GROUP IV.—4 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 132,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	11	4	19	57	68	453	1,756	177
Number cleared by arrest.....	9	4	18	24	66	185	689	54
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	81.8	100.0	94.7	42.1	97.1	40.8	39.2	30.5
GROUP V.—8 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 128,330:								
Number of offenses known.....	12	1	9	47	46	423	1,429	165
Number cleared by arrest.....	12	1	8	21	45	100	402	68
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	88.9	44.7	97.8	25.8	28.1	41.2
GROUP VI.—26 cities under 10,000; total population, 146,843:								
Number of offenses known.....	9	4	14	51	52	479	1,025	121
Number cleared by arrest.....	9	4	14	28	52	156	346	68
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	54.9	100.0	32.6	33.8	56.2
Total, 49 cities; total population, 2,451,273:								
Number of offenses known.....	394	149	191	1,512	1,942	11,035	32,281	5,046
Number cleared by arrest.....	353	142	179	661	1,586	3,807	9,686	1,487
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	89.6	95.3	93.7	43.7	81.7	34.5	30.0	29.5

TABLE 33.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	3 cities over 250,000; population, 1,066,900	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total, 49 cities; total population, 2,451,273
		4 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 719,900	4 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 256,700	4 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 132,600	8 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 128,330	26 cities under 10,000; population, 146,843		
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:								
Number of persons charged.....	184	73	39	14	13	9	332	
Rate per 100,000.....	17.2	10.1	15.2	10.6	10.1	6.1	13.5	
Manslaughter by negligence:								
Number of persons charged.....	20	56	23	4	1	3	116	
Rate per 100,000.....	2.7	7.8	9.0	3.0	.8	2.0	4.7	

TABLE 33.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

WEST SOUTH CENTRAL STATES—Continued  
 [Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	386	253	59	24	23	34	779
Rate per 100,000.....	36.2	35.1	23.0	18.1	17.9	23.2	31.8
Aggravated assault:							
Number of persons charged.....	726	436	302	68	43	56	1,631
Rate per 100,000.....	68.0	60.6	117.6	51.3	33.5	38.1	66.5
Other assaults:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,022	958	423	814	259	212	3,688
Rate per 100,000.....	95.8	133.1	164.8	613.9	201.8	144.4	150.5
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,189	1,104	529	181	116	158	3,277
Rate per 100,000.....	111.4	153.4	206.1	136.5	90.4	107.6	133.7
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	3,291	4,463	1,061	699	411	318	10,273
Rate per 100,000.....	308.5	619.9	425.0	527.1	390.3	216.6	419.1
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	581	411	81	50	77	71	1,271
Rate per 100,000.....	54.5	57.1	31.6	37.7	60.0	48.4	51.9
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged.....	196	82	58	25	7	31	399
Rate per 100,000.....	18.4	11.4	22.6	18.9	5.5	21.1	16.3
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged.....	138	214	129	19	25	43	568
Rate per 100,000.....	12.9	29.7	50.3	14.3	19.5	29.3	23.2
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged.....	233	147	71	58	16	31	556
Rate per 100,000.....	21.8	20.4	27.7	43.7	12.5	21.1	22.7
Rape:							
Number of persons charged.....	92	49	19	18	8	14	200
Rate per 100,000.....	8.6	6.8	7.4	13.6	6.2	9.5	8.2
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,036	3,877	81	29	23	8	5,054
Rate per 100,000.....	97.1	535.8	31.6	21.9	17.9	5.4	306.2
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged.....	176	188	347	116	33	41	901
Rate per 100,000.....	16.5	26.1	135.2	87.5	25.7	27.9	36.8
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	291	219	24	14	2	2	552
Rate per 100,000.....	27.3	30.4	9.3	10.6	1.6	1.4	22.5
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged.....	360	309	121	80	26	39	935
Rate per 100,000.....	33.7	42.9	47.1	60.3	20.3	26.6	38.1
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,152	1,158	—	3	—	16	1,329
Rate per 100,000.....	19.3	57.5	—	2.3	—	10.9	19.0
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	408	4,150	220	91	127	238	1,243
Rate per 100,000.....	38.2	241.4	89.2	68.6	99.0	162.1	101.6
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged.....	632	663	305	271	182	206	2,289
Rate per 100,000.....	59.2	96.3	118.8	204.4	141.8	140.3	93.4
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	210,028	90,632	35,929	9,066	8,023	5,300	358,978
Rate per 100,000.....	19,685.8	12,689.5	13,996.5	6,837.1	6,251.9	3,609.3	14,644.3
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged.....	9,678	3,015	1,113	242	449	475	14,972
Rate per 100,000.....	907.1	418.8	433.6	182.5	349.9	323.5	610.8
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged.....	19,863	18,842	6,175	4,341	4,203	4,378	57,802
Rate per 100,000.....	1,861.7	2,617.3	2,405.5	3,273.8	3,275.2	2,981.4	2,358.0
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged.....	5,124	5,005	558	606	399	143	11,835
Rate per 100,000.....	480.3	605.2	217.4	457.0	310.9	97.4	482.8
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,835	1,411	1,069	216	85	291	5,907
Rate per 100,000.....	265.7	196.0	416.4	162.9	66.2	196.2	241.0
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged.....	14,469	9,315	1,663	1,181	876	465	27,969
Rate per 100,000.....	1,356.2	1,293.9	647.8	890.6	682.6	316.7	1,141.0

<sup>1-3</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 2 cities, 786,900 population; <sup>2</sup> 2 cities, 275,000 population; <sup>3</sup> 46 cities, 1,728,373 population; <sup>4</sup> 3 cities, 476,400 population; <sup>5</sup> 45 cities, 2,207,773 population.

TABLE 34.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

MOUNTAIN STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide		Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary—breaking or entering	Larceny—theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence						
GROUP I.—1 city over 250,000; population, 293,200:								
Number of offenses known.....	18	4	30	205	67	1,323	1,805	622
Number cleared by arrest.....	17	3	30	94	67	661	900	232
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	94.4	75.0	100.0	45.9	100.0	50.0	49.9	37.3
GROUP II. <sup>1</sup>								
GROUP III.—1 city, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 51,300:								
Number of offenses known.....	2	1	5	46	20	225	286	106
Number cleared by arrest.....	2	1	4	18	18	56	118	14
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	80.0	39.1	90.0	24.9	30.6	13.2
GROUP IV.—4 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 136,600:								
Number of offenses known.....	7	5	20	56	29	702	2,417	685
Number cleared by arrest.....	6	5	16	28	22	209	672	105
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	85.7	100.0	80.0	50.0	75.9	26.4	27.8	15.3
GROUP V.—9 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 137,744:								
Number of offenses known.....	3	1	12	79	21	550	2,551	555
Number cleared by arrest.....	2	—	10	47	20	208	690	128
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	66.7	—	83.3	59.5	95.2	37.8	27.0	23.1
GROUP VI.—27 cities under 10,000; total population, 156,268:								
Number of offenses known.....	5	4	12	103	34	466	1,522	202
Number cleared by arrest.....	4	3	9	55	30	130	408	60
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	80.0	75.0	75.0	53.4	98.2	27.9	26.8	29.7
Total, 42 cities; total population, 775,112:								
Number of offenses known.....	35	15	79	480	171	3,356	8,681	2,170
Number cleared by arrest.....	31	12	69	242	157	1,264	2,788	539
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	88.6	90.0	87.3	49.5	91.8	37.7	32.1	24.8

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 35.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

MOUNTAIN STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I 1 city over 250,000; population, 293,200	Group II <sup>1</sup> 1 city, 50,000 to 100,000; population, 51,300	Group III 4 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 136,600	Group IV 9 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 137,744	Group V 27 cities under 10,000; population, 156,268	Group VI Total, 42 cities; total population, 775,112
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:						
Number of persons charged.....	13	—	2	6	2	5
Rate per 100,000.....	4.4	—	3.9	4.4	1.5	3.2
Manslaughter by negligence:						
Number of persons charged.....	7	—	1	5	—	3
Rate per 100,000.....	2.4	—	1.9	3.7	—	2.1
Robbery:						
Number of persons charged.....	63	—	17	18	63	39
Rate per 100,000.....	18.1	—	33.1	13.2	45.0	25.0
Aggravated assault:						
Number of persons charged.....	18	—	18	22	25	27
Rate per 100,000.....	6.1	—	35.1	16.1	18.1	17.3

<sup>1</sup> No cities in this population group represented.

TABLE 35.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

MOUNTAIN STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Other assaults:							
Number of persons charged.....	11		18	136	316	71	552
Rate per 100,000.....	3.8		35.1	99.6	229.4	45.4	71.2
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged.....	133		56	158	172	174	693
Rate per 100,000.....	45.4		109.2	115.7	124.9	111.3	89.4
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	304		118	618	424	272	1,736
Rate per 100,000.....	103.7		230.0	452.4	307.8	174.1	224.0
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	33		14	40	98	64	249
Rate per 100,000.....	11.3		27.3	29.3	71.1	41.0	32.1
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged.....	64		0	15	45	20	150
Rate per 100,000.....	21.8		11.7	11.0	32.7	12.8	19.4
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged.....			4	49	7	9	69
Rate per 100,000.....			7.8	35.9	5.1	5.8	8.9
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged.....	13		6	35	61	52	167
Rate per 100,000.....	4.4		11.7	25.6	44.3	33.3	21.5
Rape:							
Number of persons charged.....	26		4	16	16	11	73
Rate per 100,000.....	8.9		7.8	11.7	11.6	7.0	9.4
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged.....	(1)		16	451	11	203	1,081
Rate per 100,000.....	(1)		31.2	330.2	8.0	129.9	141.3
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged.....	22			21	106	20	169
Rate per 100,000.....	7.5			15.4	77.0	12.8	21.8
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	50		14	3	25	13	105
Rate per 100,000.....	17.1		27.3	2.2	18.1	8.3	13.5
Weapons: carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged.....	58		21	50	22	40	191
Rate per 100,000.....	19.8		40.9	36.6	16.0	25.6	24.6
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged.....	2		1	8	13	10	34
Rate per 100,000.....	0.7		1.9	5.9	9.4	6.4	4.4
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	31		5	73	84	40	233
Rate per 100,000.....	10.6		9.7	53.4	61.0	25.6	30.1
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged.....	407		97	240	317	330	1,391
Rate per 100,000.....	138.8		189.1	175.7	230.1	211.2	170.5
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	45,366		1,552	21,421	13,456	5,764	87,559
Rate per 100,000.....	15,472.7		3,025.3	15,681.0	9,768.8	3,688.5	11,296.3
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,606		266	637	2,598	1,296	6,403
Rate per 100,000.....	547.7		518.5	466.3	1,886.1	829.3	829.1
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,918		1,153	4,692	3,483	4,267	16,513
Rate per 100,000.....	995.2		2,247.6	3,434.8	2,528.6	2,730.6	2,130.4
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged.....	(1)		365	897	811	706	3,277
Rate per 100,000.....	(1)		711.5	656.7	588.8	451.8	576.7
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged.....	183		29	87	49	151	499
Rate per 100,000.....	62.4		56.5	63.7	35.6	96.6	64.4
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,692		504	1,249	689	302	4,436
Rate per 100,000.....	577.1		982.5	914.3	500.2	193.3	572.3

<sup>1</sup> Figures for prostitution and commercialized vice and vagrancy were not separately listed on the report for this city. The combined figure for those classes is 1,852.

<sup>2</sup> Figures for prostitution and commercialized vice and vagrancy are based on reports of 41 cities with a total population of 481,912.

TABLE 36.—Number of offenses known, number and percentage of offenses cleared by arrest, 1937, by population groups

## PACIFIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Population group	Criminal homicide						Larceny-theft	Auto theft
	Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter	Manslaughter by negligence	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated assault	Burglary-breaking or entering		
<b>GROUP I.—3 cities over 250,000; total population, 1,200,900:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	60	174	52	1,107	503	6,095	17,200	6,200
Number cleared by arrest.....	46	131	40	291	389	1,611	2,729	574
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	76.7	75.3	76.9	26.3	77.3	26.4	15.9	9.3
<b>GROUP II.—2 cities, 100,000 to 250,000; total population, 317,100:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	11	22	49	163	44	395	929	1,162
Number cleared by arrest.....	11	22	41	76	34	156	231	185
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	100.0	83.7	46.6	77.3	39.5	24.9	15.9
<b>GROUP III.—5 cities, 50,000 to 100,000; total population, 403,367:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	12	7	29	279	93	1,939	6,294	1,186
Number cleared by arrest.....	11	7	29	100	64	585	1,306	251
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	91.7	100.0	100.0	35.8	68.8	26.9	20.7	21.2
<b>GROUP IV.—8 cities, 25,000 to 50,000; total population, 255,700:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	10	5	12	116	26	1,350	3,079	800
Number cleared by arrest.....	10	6	7	57	24	338	535	141
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	100.0	120.0	58.3	49.1	92.3	25.0	17.4	17.6
<b>GROUP V.—23 cities, 10,000 to 25,000; total population, 348,378:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	7	9	35	128	37	1,434	4,990	1,228
Number cleared by arrest.....	6	9	33	41	34	425	892	257
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	85.7	100.0	94.3	32.0	91.9	29.6	17.9	20.9
<b>GROUP VI.—67 cities under 10,000; total population, 354,800:</b>								
Number of offenses known.....	12	12	37	137	106	1,302	3,677	908
Number cleared by arrest.....	10	10	32	60	403	403	1,017	264
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.3	83.3	86.5	43.8	84.9	31.0	27.7	29.1
Total, 106 cities; total population, 2,940,243:								
Number of offenses known.....	112	229	214	1,930	809	12,535	36,169	11,484
Number cleared by arrest.....	94	185	182	625	635	3,518	6,710	1,672
Percentage cleared by arrest.....	83.9	80.8	85.0	32.4	78.5	28.1	18.6	14.6

TABLE 37.—Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups

## PACIFIC STATES

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I 3 cities over 250,000; population, 1,200,900	Group II 2 cities 100,000 to 250,000; population, 317,100	Group III 5 cities 50,000 to 100,000; population, 403,367	Group IV 8 cities 25,000 to 50,000; population, 255,700	Group V 23 cities 10,000 to 25,000; population, 348,378	Group VI 67 cities under 10,000; population, 354,800	Total, 106 cities; total population, 2,940,243
Murder, nonnegligent manslaughter:							
Number of persons charged.....	56	9	13	10	5	13	106
Rate per 100,000.....	4.4	2.8	3.2	3.9	1.4	3.7	3.6
Manslaughter by negligence:							
Number of persons charged.....	113	22	5	3	6	13	162
Rate per 100,000.....	9.0	6.9	1.2	1.2	1.7	3.7	5.5
Robbery:							
Number of persons charged.....	368	53	75	54	50	86	595
Rate per 100,000.....	29.2	16.7	18.6	21.1	14.4	24.2	21.3

TABLE 37.—*Persons charged (held for prosecution), 1937, number and rate per 100,000 inhabitants, by population groups—Continued*

PACIFIC STATES—Continued

[Population as estimated July 1, 1933, by the Bureau of the Census]

Offense charged	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group V	Group VI	Total
Aggravated assault:							
Number of persons charged.....	368	30	56	59	44	87	644
Rate per 100,000.....	29.2	9.5	13.9	23.1	12.6	24.5	21.9
Other assaults:							
Number of persons charged.....	755	286	316	120	203	225	1,905
Rate per 100,000.....	59.9	90.2	78.3	46.9	58.3	63.4	64.8
Burglary—breaking or entering:							
Number of persons charged.....	812	122	353	270	250	347	2,154
Rate per 100,000.....	64.4	38.5	87.5	105.6	71.8	97.8	73.3
Larceny—theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,891	416	888	538	596	712	6,041
Rate per 100,000.....	229.3	131.2	220.1	210.4	171.1	200.7	205.5
Auto theft:							
Number of persons charged.....	547	94	190	176	196	185	1,388
Rate per 100,000.....	43.4	29.6	47.1	68.8	56.3	52.1	47.2
Embezzlement and fraud:							
Number of persons charged.....	300	93	99	49	77	55	673
Rate per 100,000.....	23.8	29.3	24.5	19.2	22.1	15.5	22.9
Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing:							
Number of persons charged.....	111	38	13	2	16	43	222
Rate per 100,000.....	8.8	12.0	3.2	0.8	4.6	12.1	7.6
Forgery and counterfeiting:							
Number of persons charged.....	348	106	112	95	72	134	867
Rate per 100,000.....	27.6	33.4	27.8	37.2	20.7	37.8	29.5
Rape:							
Number of persons charged.....	39	28	26	11	26	25	155
Rate per 100,000.....	3.1	8.8	6.4	4.3	7.5	7.0	5.3
Prostitution and commercialized vice:							
Number of persons charged.....	3,047	1,047	219	53	200	68	4,634
Rate per 100,000.....	241.7	330.2	54.3	20.7	57.4	19.2	157.6
Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution):							
Number of persons charged.....	195	82	187	74	49	70	637
Rate per 100,000.....	15.5	25.9	46.4	28.9	14.1	19.7	22.3
Narcotic drug laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	685	9	43	10	18	21	786
Rate per 100,000.....	54.3	2.8	10.7	3.9	5.2	5.9	20.7
Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.:							
Number of persons charged.....	179	48	116	27	44	39	453
Rate per 100,000.....	14.2	15.1	28.8	10.6	12.6	11.0	15.4
Offenses against family and children:							
Number of persons charged.....	638	103	119	112	30	47	1,049
Rate per 100,000.....	50.6	32.5	29.5	43.8	8.6	13.2	35.7
Liquor laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	204	23	39	51	176	63	556
Rate per 100,000.....	16.2	7.3	9.7	19.9	50.5	17.8	18.9
Driving while intoxicated:							
Number of persons charged.....	1,149	1,180	803	570	1,648	2,175	7,585
Rate per 100,000.....	91.1	372.1	213.9	222.9	473.1	613.0	258.0
Traffic and motor vehicle laws:							
Number of persons charged.....	130,879	33,909	46,218	60,891	44,988	32,509	240,394
Rate per 100,000.....	10,379.8	21,179.9	11,458.1	23,813.5	12,913.6	9,162.6	12,553.5
Disorderly conduct:							
Number of persons charged.....	2,393	1,269	839	792	1,123	1,485	7,501
Rate per 100,000.....	186.8	400.2	208.0	309.7	322.4	418.5	295.7
Drunkenness:							
Number of persons charged.....	52,302	10,750	3,797	7,140	9,582	9,945	93,516
Rate per 100,000.....	4,148.0	3,390.1	941.3	2,792.3	2,750.5	2,803.0	3,180.6
Vagrancy:							
Number of persons charged.....	12,718	1,937	5,440	1,729	3,193	2,300	27,317
Rate per 100,000.....	1,008.6	610.8	1,348.6	676.2	916.5	648.3	929.1
Gambling:							
Number of persons charged.....	12,900	347	177	85	265	266	14,130
Rate per 100,000.....	1,030.2	109.4	43.9	33.2	76.1	75.0	480.6
All other offenses:							
Number of persons charged.....	11,050	3,317	1,556	1,450	1,627	1,166	20,166
Rate per 100,000.....	876.4	1,046.0	385.8	567.1	467.0	328.6	685.9

<sup>1,2</sup> The number of persons charged and the rate are based on the reports of the number of cities indicated below: <sup>1</sup> 1 city, 160,100 population; <sup>2</sup> 107 cities, 2,783,243 population.

## DATA COMPILED FROM FINGERPRINT RECORDS

### *Persons Arrested Outside of State of Birth, 1937.*

The decennial census of 1930 indicates that 23.4 percent of the native population of the United States resides in a State different from the State of birth. However, the following table shows that 49.4 percent of the persons arrested and fingerprinted were at the time outside of their State of birth. This means that more than one-fourth of the persons arrested and fingerprinted throughout the United States are transients in the sense that they have moved from one State to another (this is in excess of the normal interstate movement amounting to 23.4 percent, as shown by the 1930 decennial census). It is doubtless true that the proportion of transients among persons arrested in the larger cities is considerably higher than is indicated by the following tabulation, since there will be persons who were in the status of transients even though they did not come from outside of the State.

TABLE 38.—*Number of cases in which persons were arrested outside of State of birth, Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1937*

Total born in  
United States

Part I and Part II offense classes (all violations of State laws and municipal ordinances):

Number of arrest records examined	478, 640
Number of arrests outside of State of birth	236, 266
Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth	49. 4
Part I offenses (murder, manslaughter by negligence, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and auto theft):	
Number of arrest records examined	152, 500
Number of arrests outside of State of birth	64, 845
Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth	42. 5
Part II offenses (all State and municipal violations except those in Part I):	
Number of arrest records examined	326, 140
Number of arrests outside of State of birth	171, 421
Percentage of arrests outside of State of birth	52. 6

NOTE.—Excluded from the foregoing tabulation are those persons whose place of birth was shown to be outside of the continental United States, and also those whose place of birth was not known at the time of their arrest. In addition, fingerprint cards which did not include information concerning the offense charged were excluded.

## OFFENSE CLASSIFICATIONS

In order to indicate more clearly the types of offenses included in Part I and Part II offenses, there follows a brief definition of each classification:

### **Part I Offenses.**

1. **Criminal homicide.**—(a) Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter includes all felonious homicides except those caused by negligence. Does not include attempts to kill, assaults to kill, justifiable homicides, suicides, or accidental deaths. (b) Manslaughter by negligence includes only those cases in which death is caused by culpable negligence which is so clearly evident that if the person responsible for the death were apprehended he would be prosecuted for manslaughter.

2. **Rape.**—Includes forcible rape, statutory rape, assault to rape, and attempted rape.

3. **Robbery.**—Includes stealing or taking anything of value from the person by force or violence or by putting in fear, such as highway robbery, stick-ups, robbery armed. Includes assault to rob and attempt to rob.

4. **Aggravated assault.**—Includes assault with intent to kill; assault by shooting, cutting, stabbing, maiming, poisoning, scalding, or by use of acids. Does not include simple assault, assault and battery, fighting, etc.

5. **Burglary—breaking or entering.**—Includes burglary, housebreaking, safe-cracking, or any unlawful entry to commit a felony or theft. Includes attempted burglary and assault to commit a burglary. Burglary followed by a larceny is entered here and is not counted again under larceny.

6. **Larceny—theft (except auto theft).**—(a) Fifty dollars and over in value. (b) Under \$50 in value—includes in one of the above subclassifications, depending upon the value of property stolen, pocket-picking, purse-snatching, shoplifting, or any stealing of property or thing of value which is not taken by force and violence or by fraud. Does not include embezzlement, "con" games, forgery, passing worthless checks, etc.

7. **Auto theft.**—Includes all cases where a motor vehicle is stolen or driven away and abandoned, including the so-called "joy-riding" thefts. Does not include taking for temporary use when actually returned by the taker, or unauthorized use by those having lawful access to the vehicle.

### **Part II Offenses.**

8. **Other assaults.**—Includes all assaults and attempted assaults which are not of an aggravated nature and which do not belong in class 4.

9. **Forgery and counterfeiting.**—Includes offenses dealing with the making, altering, uttering, or possessing, with intent to defraud, anything false which is made to appear true. Includes attempts.

10. **Embezzlement and fraud.**—Includes all offenses of fraudulent conversion, embezzlement, and obtaining money or property by false pretenses.

11. **Stolen property; buying, receiving, possessing.**—Includes buying, receiving, and possessing stolen property as well as attempts to commit any of those offenses.

12. **Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.**—Includes all violations of regulations or statutes controlling the carrying, using, possessing, furnishing and manufacturing of deadly weapons or silencers and all attempts to violate such statutes or regulations.

13. **Prostitution and commercialized vice.**—Includes sex offenses of a commercialized nature, or attempts to commit the same, such as, prostitution, keeping bawdy house, procuring, transporting or detaining women for immoral purposes.

14. **Sex offenses (except rape and prostitution and commercialized vice).**—Includes offenses against chastity, common decency, morals, and the like. Includes attempts.

15. **Offenses against the family and children.**—Includes offenses of nonsupport, neglect, desertion, or abuse of family and children.

16. **Narcotic drug laws.**—Includes offenses relating to narcotic drugs, such as unlawful possession, sale, or use. Exclude Federal offenses.

17. *Liquor laws.*—With the exception of "Drunkenness" (class 18) and "Driving while intoxicated" (class 22), liquor law violations, State or local, are placed in this class. Exclude Federal violations.
18. *Drunkenness.*—Includes all offenses of drunkenness or intoxication.
19. *Disorderly conduct.*—Includes all charges of committing a breach of the peace.
20. *Vagrancy.*—Includes such offenses as vagabondage; begging; loitering; etc.
21. *Gambling.*—Includes offenses of promoting, permitting, or engaging in gambling.
22. *Driving while intoxicated.*—Includes driving or operating any motor vehicle while drunk or under the influence of liquor or narcotics.
23. *Violation of road and driving laws.*—Includes violations of regulations with respect to the proper handling of a motor vehicle to prevent accidents.
24. *Parking violations.*—Includes violations of parking ordinances.
25. *Other violations of traffic and motor vehicle laws.*—Includes violations of State laws and municipal ordinances with regard to traffic and motor vehicles not otherwise provided for in classes 22-24.
26. *All other offenses.*—Includes all violations of State or local laws for which no provision has been made above in classes 1-25.
27. *Suspicion.*—This classification includes all persons arrested as suspicious characters but not in connection with any specific offense and who are released without formal charges being placed against them.

O

